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CO-OP RECEIPTS SET RECORD GAIN

Stage Set For Annual Meeting of State Convention Tuesday Morning To Witness Opening Of 119th Session

Tuesday morning Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr. of Hattiesburg, president is scheduled to call the 119th annual meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention to order at 9:30 in Jackson's historic First Church.

Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Jackson, chairman of the Convention's committee on order of business has released the suggested program and everything is declared in readiness for what could easily be the most constructive and forward-looking convention in history.

A large number of outstanding personalities, both state and convention-wide have been secured and several high hours are expected.

Reports are anticipated to be the best on record and plans for the future will apparently be manifested throughout.

Although the body will apparently not face the large number of decisive issues that appeared last year, several important matters will be presented that will claim the serious consideration of every messenger.

Monday before the Convention opens will be an important day with the Executive Committee of the Convention Board meeting at 10 o'clock at the Baptist Building, the full Board meeting also at the Building at 2 o'clock and the Brotherhood Rally meeting at the First Church at 2 p.m.

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A Catechism Of Bible Teaching

By DR. JOHN A. BROADUS
LESSON XIII. SOME DUTIES OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE

1. What is our duty as to speaking the truth? We must always speak truth and never lie. Ephe. 4:25; Ex. 20:16; Rev. 21:8.

2. Is it possible to act a lie without speaking it? Yes, to act a lie may be one of the worst forms of falsehood. Acts 5:8.

3. What is our duty as to speaking evil of others? We must never (Continued on Page Two)

Monday Will Be Day Of Activity

Although the Convention proper will not convene until Tuesday morning, much activity will be astir in Jackson on Monday, in preparation for the three-day Convention.

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Convention Board will be held at 10 o'clock on Monday morning in the Baptist Building. Members of the Executive Committee are Dr. John E. Barnes, president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-treasurer; Rev. J. R. Davis, New Albany, president; Marion Perry, Philadelphia; Rev. Gordon Sansing Jackson; Rev. Van Hardin, Lucedale; Rev. C. M. Day, Durant; Rev. Joe Hudson, Monticello; Rev. Glenn Smith, Corinth; Rev. James Fairchild, Louisville; J. Wesley Miller, Rolling Fork.

A meeting of the entire Convention Board will be held at 2 o'clock in the afternoon in the Baptist Building. At the same time the State Brotherhood Rally will open its annual meeting in the First Church, holding an afternoon and evening session.

Honored Guest And Speaker



DR. JAMES W. STORER

Dr. James W. Storer, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and pastor of First Church, Tulsa, Okla., will speak Tuesday evening on "The Persistent Earth."

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Daily Bulletin Again Scheduled For Convention

The Daily Convention Bulletin, published each day during the Convention for the past two years, will be issued again this year.

This Bulletin is published as a courtesy and convenience by the State Convention Board, Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

Rev. Joe Abrams, Director of Promotion, will be the editor.



Shown above is a scene in the bookkeeping department at the Baptist Building as the money came in on the last day of the convention year. Stacked on the desk is money, checks, receipts, and even a telegram promising more than \$400 in the next mail. Those in the picture above are Mrs. Daphne Pridgen, head bookkeeper and Mrs. Nell Cotton, assistant bookkeeper.

Year's Gifts Of \$1,400,196.93
Show Gain Of \$198,861.42 Or 17%

Youth Service To Close Convention Thursday Evening

Mississippi Baptist's 119th Convention will reach its spiritual peak in its closing session on Thursday night, November 18. The closing session, scheduled to meet in the City Auditorium which has a capacity of 4,000, will be the third Youth Night to be held by the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

The first Youth Night of the Convention was held at the closing session in 1952. Because of its great spiritual blessing the plan was repeated in 1953, and is again included in the magnificent program planned for the 1954 meeting.

G. Kearnie Keegan, Student Director of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, will be the featured speaker of the Youth Night program.

A feature of Baptist Student Work will be directed by Charles W. Horner, State Student secretary. The first state student director for Mississippi, Mr. Horner has led the colleges in Mississippi in establishing and strengthening Baptist work on every campus. (Continued on Page Two)

By DR. CHESTER L. QUARLES

Executive Secretary-Treasurer

Mississippi Baptists, to the glory of God, and for the great cause of missions, have triumphed again.

And, according to figures, have achieved in greater proportion than ever before.

Cooperative Program receipts for the convention year ending Oct. 31 totaled \$1,400,196.93, a gain of \$198,861.42 or 17 per cent over the previous year's collection of \$1,201,335.51.

This represents by far the largest gain in our history and was sufficient to enable us to complete not only the Cooperative Program Operating Budget of \$1,250,000 but also the Capital Needs Budget for five of our state institutions.

This is the first time in our history that our institutions have received a definite sum for building purposes from the Cooperative Program.

This is not of course sufficient to meet all their building needs but is a start in the right direction. The amounts they will receive is as follows, according to the convention-approved budget:

Mississippi College, Blue Mountain College and Mississippi Baptist Hospital, \$30,000 each; Clarke College, \$40,000, and William College, \$40,000, and William College, \$40,000, and William College, \$40,000. (Continued on Page Two)

25 Baptist Churches To Welcome State Convention

The City of Jackson and the 25 Baptist churches therein, joined by the 18 Baptist churches in Greater Jackson, will welcome Baptists from the 1700 churches in the 75 associations in the state as they stream into Jackson on Tuesday morning, November 16, to attend the three-day State Baptist Convention.

The Convention first met in Jackson in 1850, when it assembled for its 15th session. Next week when it convenes for its 119th session it will gather in Jackson for the 24th time. Although there is no policy setting Jackson as the site of the Convention, it has met here consecutively since 1938 with only one exception—the 1941 session which was held in Meridian. The meeting place for the following year is decided annually by the Convention. Jackson, with a population of

110,000 is the state's largest city and provides adequate hotel accommodations and spacious convention halls to provide for the great throng of Mississippians attending the meeting. Also, several Baptist institutions and agencies located in Jackson help to attract the Convention.

These include: The Baptist Book Store, Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Baptist Orphanage, Baptist Seminary Extension Center of the Southern Baptist Seminary, Mississippi Baptist Seminary (Negro), and the Baptist Building, which houses the State Convention Board offices, the Baptist Foundation and the Hinds County Mission Office. Mississippi College, in nearby Clinton, is only 10 miles from the Convention meeting place.

Churches in Jackson, including three organized since last year, (Continued on Page Two)

GOAL REACHED—CIRCULATION 85,080

WHAT TAKES PLACE WHEN

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| President's Address | Tuesday, 10:15 a.m. |
| Committee on Committees | Tuesday, 10:40 a.m. |
| Convention Sermon | Tuesday, 11:45 a.m. |
| State Mission Program | Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. |
| Miscellaneous Business | Tuesday, 4 p.m. |
| | Wednesday, 9:50 a.m. and 4:10 p.m. |
| | Thursday, 11:15 a.m. and 3:25 p.m. |
| The Baptist Record Report | Wednesday, 10:20 p.m. |
| Seminary Alumni Meetings | Wednesday, 12:30 p.m. |
| New Orleans Seminary | Calvary Church |
| Southern Seminary | First Church |
| Southwestern Seminary | Northside Church |
| Election of Officers | Wednesday, 4:00 p.m. |
| Committee on Ministerial Relief | Thursday, 2:15 p.m. |
| Committee on Resolutions | Thursday, 2:35 p.m. |
| Report of Committee (Nomination, Time, Place, Preacher) | Thursday, 2:45 p.m. |
| Youth Night | Thursday, 7:00 p.m. |

Stage Set

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Thursday evening in the City Auditorium with a giant Youth Rally with Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan as the featured speaker.

The opening Tuesday morning's meeting will be highlighted with the Convention sermon by the Rev. W. L. Meadows of Quitman and the president's address.

Tuesday night's highlight will be the presentation of state missions under direction of Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson and a message by the president of the Southern Convention, Dr. James W. Storer, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Other principal out-of-state speakers will include Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor First Church, Dallas; Dr. G. Earl Guinn, president of Louisiana College, and Dr. J. Ralph Grant, pastor First Church, Lubbock, Texas, and others.

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, host pastor, will again be on hand for the ninth straight year.

Reid Moore, minister of music of the host church, will be in charge of the music with Miss Hazel Chisholm at the organ again.

A complete program and other interesting convention information will be found elsewhere in this issue.

Youth Service To

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pus in the state.

The singing for this session will be under the direction of Rev. Russell McIntire, pastor of the Clinton Church. Miss Hazel Chisholm of First Church Jackson, will serve as organist. The combined choirs of the Baptist colleges of Mississippi, directed by Reid Moore of First Church, Jackson, will furnish special music. Almost 4,000 people will remember the impressive musical program at the closing session of the 1953 Convention when these same outstanding leaders led those present to lift their voices in praises to God and prepared hearts for the spiritual feast which followed from God's messenger.

This closing session will be a challenge to the young people, an inspiration to the older people and will give vision to every Mississippi Baptist attending.

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During January-October, 1954, according to the Executive Committee of the SBC, Cooperative Program receipts from Mississippi totalled \$454,303.73 and designated gifts totalled \$266,481.87. During the same period in 1953, Mississippians gave \$373,544.2 to the Cooperative Program and \$228,209.93 to designated causes.

Featured Speaker Youth Rally



DR. G. KEARNIE KEEGAN

Dr. G. Kearnie Keegan, secretary Student Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, will be the featured speaker at the closing Youth Rally Thursday in City Auditorium.

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Co-Op Receipts

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re College, \$20,000.

To make the victory even greater we point to the grand total mission gifts for the year of \$2,135,265.17, a gain of \$259,801.24 over the previous year. Grand total mission gifts include both Co-operative Program and designated contributions.

In order to complete the Capital Needs Budget of the Cooperative Program our churches truly rallied in September and October.

September collections were \$149,696.40, a new all-time high mark for any one month, and then in October a total of \$179,312.42 came into the Convention Board Treasurer's office, a new outstanding month's record.

May we take this method of expressing appreciation to every individual and every church that had a part in this great victory.

May it inspire us to even greater things for the Master in the years to come.

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Improved Directories For Book Of Reports

The Book of Reports, issued the first day of the convention, will this year carry a greatly improved Directory of all workers.

Previously only the pastors were carried and this list included retired preachers, missionaries, educational directors, state workers, and others not always easily distinguished.

Last year the educational directors were added and listed separately.

This year the directory has been separated as follows:

Pastors (pastors only); Association superintendents of missions; Convention Board Field Workers; Educational Workers; Student Directors; Institutional Heads; and the Heads of all convention-wide boards, agencies and institutions.

It is felt this Directory, which will also appear in the Convention Annual later, will be much more satisfactory and helpful.

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which are welcoming the Convention, include: Midway, Rev. Ray Dykes, pastor; Emmanuel, Rev. Joe Royalty; Elraine, Rev. R. R. Newman, Northside, Dr. W. Henry Crouch; West Jackson, Rev. Jack Nazary; Parkway, Dr. G. Norman Price; Calvary, Dr. Luther Joe Thompson; Crestwood, Rev. A. B. Pierce; Van Winkle, Rev. Herman Milner; Robinson Street, Rev. Leonard Holloway, Alta Woods, Rev. Percy Cooper; Hillcrest, Rev. G. C. Cox; Daniel Mem. Dr. Lewis Rhodes; Westview, Rev. L. Frank Campbell; Temple, Rev. J. A. Barnhill; Broadmoor, Rev. L. Gordon Sansing; Ridgecrest, Rev. Fred A. Tarpley; McDowell Road, Rev. Jimmy Yarbrough; Calvary Mission, Rev. Oliver Laddner; Van Winkle Mission, Rev. Cecil Maples; White Rock Mission, J. G. Fortenberry, Southside, Rev. S. W. Valentine.

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Not our fault: Recently some one sent an obituary of Dr. J. S. Prine. This was mailed to the printer but after two weeks it has not been delivered. If the person who sent the obituary will send a duplicate the Baptist Record will gladly publish it.

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A Catechism

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speak so as to wrong any person. James 4:11.

4. What is meant by profane speech? Profane speech is cursing or swearing, or speaking in an irreverent way of God, or of the Bible, or of anything sacred.

5. What does the Bible say about stealing? "Thou shalt not steal." Ex. 20:15; Eph. 4:28.

6. Can you tell some things which this forbids? The commandment forbids all unfair buying and selling, and any failure to pay promised wages or perform promised work.

7. Is it wrong even to wish to take away another person's property? Yes, the Bible says we must not covet what belongs to another. Ex. 20:17.

8. May we properly strive to do better than others? Yes, we may strive to excel others, but we must not envy others nor try to pull them back. 1 Pet. 2:1.

9. May we revenge ourselves on those who have wronged us? No, revenge is very wicked, and we must leave punishment of those who have wronged us with God. Rom. 12:19.

10. Ought we to love our enemies just as we love our friends? We ought to love our enemies as God loves his enemies, and so be ready always to do them a kindness. Matt. 5:44, 45.

11. What is our duty as to purity? We must avoid all impure actions and words, thoughts and feelings.

12. How many Christians hope to perform these and all duties of the Christian life? Christians may hope to perform their duties by watchful effort and constant prayer for the help of the Holy Spirit. Matt. 26:41; Luke 11:13.

ADVANCED QUESTIONS

(a) Does truthfulness require us to tell everything we know or think? No, we may keep to ourselves what others have no claim to know, when we are not profess-

ing to tell everything. I Sam. 16:2.

(b) When may we say things that will damage others? We may say things that will damage others when the things said are true, and it is needful that they should be known to prevent wrong.

(c) What may we do for the punishment of one who has injured us? If a person has injured us we may help to secure his punishment according to law, not for private revenge, but for public good.

(d) Is it ever right to take an oath? It is right to take an oath only in a court of justice or on some other important occasion, and always in a very solemn way. Matt. 26:63, 64; 2 Cor. 1:23.

(e) Ought we to be careful about the example we set to others? Yes, it is the duty of Christians to be the salt of the earth, and the light of the world. Matt. 5:13, 14.

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DR. GRACE SLOAN OVERTON



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Address _____

City _____ State _____

A Final Reminder

If not already provided for it is not too late for churches to arrange to send the pastor to the Mississippi Baptist Convention in Jackson, Nov. 16-18. They need to go and our churches need to send them.

The pastor will return refreshed, informed and inspired for a greater year of work.

If no provision was made in the budget, let some individual see a few of the brethren and sisters, and collect a sufficient amount.

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Prepare Now

You probably know it, but for emphasis we remind that the annual meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Convention will begin in Jackson on Tuesday, November 16. The Mississippi Brotherhood Rally will begin on Monday afternoon, November 15.

Preparations for the Convention should be made immediately. We call attention to some things that should be done. See that proper arrangements are made for the pastor to attend. Then ascertain how many other messengers the church will be entitled to send. This information was given in a recent issue of the Baptist Record. See that your church has its full number of messengers. The church should be vitally interested in what the Convention does. It can have a voice in what it does if it has someone at the Convention to speak for the church.

The program of the Convention appears elsewhere in this issue. The committee composed of Gordon Sansing, Jackson, chairman; Clyde Bryan, Hattiesburg; Otis Seale, Itta Bena and L. E. Green, Prentiss, has done a good job. They worked long hours, faithfully and sacrificially, in an effort to provide time for the many objects sponsored by Mississippi Baptists. They deserve our thanks. Look over the program and let the messengers give it special attention and, if necessary, talk about the various questions that will come before the Convention.

Sessions will be held in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, where Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins is the pastor. Dr. Hudgins and his great church are making full preparation for the Convention.

Jackson is a great Convention city with several good hotels and a large number of tourist courts. There are many attractions in addition to the Convention itself. All of these things should make the trip to Jackson a pleasant and profitable one.

There are many reasons for rejoicing. As reported in this and previous issues of the Baptist Record, Dr. Quarles will report the greatest year in the history of Mis-

issippi Baptists.

Financial receipts show a gain of 17 per cent which at the last report is the largest increase of any state in the Southern Baptist Convention.

And total receipts have been the largest in our history, totalling \$1,400,196.93, a gain over last year of \$198,861.42.

All departments will report their greatest year. But that is to be expected. Progress in one department means progress in all departments.

The outstanding achievements of the past year is a tribute to Dr. Quarles and his fine and consecrated group of workers. We salute them and all Mississippi Baptists who have helped make this record.

Let us go to the Convention in deep earnest prayer and thoughtful consideration of the work in Mississippi and the needs around the world.

Prayer should prevail. To our shame, some Baptists resort to political methods. Prayer is better. Political maneuvering may prevail for a season, but we cannot commend it. The Convention is God's business and should be conducted by God's methods.

Vision is important. Makeshift, short-sighted decisions and programs, should have no place in our affairs. Let us look at all our work and not one small part.

We must cooperate. Disunity and wire pulling spell disaster in capital letters.

In unity there is strength. Pull for what we think is best but when the decision is made let's do our best to make it our program and work for its success.

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Give Speakers A Break

Too often have we watched as our State Convention took up an

APPOINTMENT WITH MAN AND WITH GOD



item of business. Perhaps 10 minutes was allotted but it took 45 or more minutes to dispose of the question. While the 30 extra minutes were being used, some outstanding speaker, who had travelled hundreds of miles to be present, sat nervously watching the Convention use HIS time. At last his time came. BUT it was already past adjournment time; many had left. Most of those still present were hungry or sleepy and all of them in a bad mood.

May we suggest that when a speaker's time arrives the unfinished business be laid aside until after the speaker has had his say. Then the people can stay as long or as late as they desire.

We should not limit debate. Let everyone have his say. But we should not disrupt our Convention program.

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Tell Who You Are

When a person of the Mississippi Baptist Convention wishes to speak on the floor, he should tell his name and where he is from. Often in the convention sessions, someone addresses the body, and people in every section begin whispering, "Who is he?" "What is his name?"

If a man asking to speak fails to give his name, the presiding officer should ask his name, and where he is from. This may seem unimportant at first glance. But if the messengers attending know a man's name and where he lives, what he has to say becomes more meaningful. Mississippi Baptists are democratic. They love each other. They want to know who is speaking. They will listen more closely to the person whose name they know.

We believe this would add to the effectiveness of debate in the convention.

Love The Little Children

No Child grows up twice; therefore each day is vital to him. Few people realize the battles fought and won in a child's mind by enemies like despair, poverty, want of love and daily needs. The skillful mending of hearts and lives is the work of our denomination through our orphanage.

The Children's Village, our Baptist Orphanage, has a definite program for each child, including the same good things that every Christian father and mother want for their children. For every child there is faith, hope, love, and the advantage of school and vocational and college training. The abiding love and loyalty for their big family is shown by the large numbers who return to visit.

"Child by Child we build or lose a civilization." Let us be ever thankful to God for the privilege of doing this small bit toward building a better civilization for tomorrow.

To meet the needs of the 165 children at our Baptist Home, our State Convention authorizes a special offering each year at Thanksgiving. Their needs are the same as yours, multiplied many times. It takes food, clothing and cash to care for our children. As has been the custom for many years, the railroad will furnish free transportation from you to the Orphanage for boxes of food and clothing; a schedule was printed in last week's Baptist Record. Cash may be sent to the Baptist Convention Board, Box 530, Jackson, and should be marked "For the Orphanage."

We preach love in all its power. Let us practice our love and show evidence of it by giving generously to our Orphanage. If a special offering has not been planned in your church, suggest to your pastor and the people that you cooperate in this special effort for our Orphanage. Our love will be measured by the amount that we give.

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THE PAWNED BOOK

This is a remarkable account of the strange Providence of God. Rejoice that God moves in mysterious ways His wonders to perform.

Dr. W. P. Mackay, left home to attend college at the age of seventeen. His mother gave him a Bible, writing her name, his name and a verse of Scripture on the flyleaf. He graduated with very high honors and became the head of an infidel club where they practiced everything that was licentious and vile. He was open in his ridicule of God and the Bible. The only thing that gave him any thrill was when an ambulance would unload some patient in a critical condition.

One day they brought in a man on a cot, the lower part of whose body had been horribly crushed. On this face, however, was a look of calm and peace so pronounced that it amazed Dr. Mackay who was accustomed to seeing people suffer. With a smile the patient asked what the verdict was.

"Oh, I guess we will pull you through and fix you up," replied the doctor.

"No, doctor, I don't want any guess," the man said. "I want to know if it is life or death. Just lay me down easy, anywhere, Doctor. I am ready. I am saved and am not afraid to die." With a face fairly shining with radiance, he continued, "I know I am going to be with the Lord Jesus Christ. He says, 'Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out' (John 6:37), and I have come and accepted Him as my own personal Saviour. But I want the truth. Just what is my condition?"

Whereupon the doctor replied, "You have at the most three hours to live." The doctor was touched, and thinking there might be relatives to notify, asked: "Is there anything you would like to have us do for you?"

Thanking him, the injured man, said "In one of my pockets is a two weeks' pay check. If you can get to it, I wish you would send it at once to my landlady and ask

Leads State Mission Program



DR. CHESTER L. QUARLES

Dr. Chester L. Quarles will be in charge of the State Mission Program Tuesday night, to be one of the convention highlights.

her to send me the book."

"What book?" inquired the doctor.

"Oh, just the book," the man answered. "She will know."

Dr. Mackay arranged for the man's request to be cared for, and then started on his rounds through the hospital. But those words kept ringing through his ears: "I am ready, Doctor. Just lay me down easy, anywhere, Doctor, I am ready."

Dr. Mackay had never been known to inquire about a patient from any personal interest, but for the first time in his life he wanted to know how this one was getting along. He returned to the ward where the man had been placed, and seeing the nurse whom he had assigned to the case, he inquired as to his condition.

"He died just a few minutes ago," the nurse informed him.

"Did the book get here?" asked the doctor.

"Yes, it arrived shortly before he died," the nurse answered.

"What was it? His bank book?" inquired the doctor.

"No, it wasn't his bank book,"

Doctrinally Speaking: Sanctification

By ROBERT S. SCALES

Grade A beef at 25 cents per pound, while the supply lasted, caused a near riot in one of our American cities in recent days during the period of high inflationary prices. Bargain counters are always centers of attraction.

replied the nurse. "He died with it under his pillow."

"What was it?" asked Dr. Mackay.

"It is still there. Go and look at it," said the nurse.

Dr. Mackay went to the bedside, reached under the sheet and drew a Bible from under the pillow. As he did so the Bible opened and the pages turned over to the flyleaf. There in his mother's handwriting was Dr. Mackay's name, his mother's name and a verse of Scripture. It was the Bible given him by his mother when he left home to attend college. In a drunken brawl he had pawned it years before in order to get whiskey.

Dr. Mackay slipped the book under his coat and rushed upstairs to his private office. He asked God to have mercy upon him, and in repentance accepted Christ as his Saviour. He came into the realization that "God commended His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8); and that "by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of ourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, let any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8, 9).

God had His eye on that Bible, and planned it so that it would get back to the person to whom it was first given, to be used for his salvation.

"The Word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart" (Heb. 4:12).—Tract Club of America, and published in the Covenanter Witness.

There seems to be a human tendency to want something for nothing, or for as little cost as possible.

This same tendency is carried over into spiritual life. We are prone to want the richest of God's blessings from above and the perfection of character within without effort and without cost.

There is no bargain counter in Christianity. It is true that salvation may be ours without cost to us, but God paid the supreme price of the sacrifice of his own Son. Sanctification cannot be secured at a cut price rate. It is a work 'carried on in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in the continual use of the appointed means, especially the Word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulness, and prayer.'

Sanctification is a process whereby the saved are "made to conform to the image of His Son" (Rom. 8:29). It is a process similar to that by which common carbon becomes a priceless diamond. It is a process that begins in regeneration and is never consummated this side of eternity. It is a process that could not be carried on without both the work of the Holy Spirit within the life of the believer, and the "working out" of the will of God by the believer.

Some who believe they have received sanctification at bargain counter rates, have received only what can be secured at reduced prices. They have gotten what they sought, but they sought graven images instead of diamonds. Many who are saplings are satisfied with their sanctification. They do not realize that giant oaks are made through a process of time, through a process of growth that overcomes the beatings of wind and weather, and by absorbing the life-giving properties through roots sunk deep into the soil.

When Christ-likeness is the goal, no price is too great to pay, no time too long to strive, no means too exacting to use, to progress

You Witness to the World through



THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

In a great burst of false generosity Louis XI once made a solemn deed and covenant giving the entire province of Boulogne to the Virgin Mary in perpetuity. Louis reserved "all the revenues thereof" for himself. There are a great number of superficially pious people today who say, "We are living under grace and have given all that we have to God!" But you will notice that they still keep practically all of it for themselves. It seems reasonable that God would still prefer the tithe in cold cash.—From DEVELOPING A GIVING CHURCH by W. E. Grinstead (Fleming H. Revell Company.)

LONDON—(RNS)—Baptist and Adventist communities in Russia are the latest targets of the anti-religious campaign the Communist radio and press have been waging for weeks in the Soviet Union and which now has spread to the satellite countries. A Rostov Radio broadcast beamed at the Kamensk region launched a violent attack on Russian groups which, it said, "have been in the enemy camp from the very first days of the Bolshevik Revolution and today are under the influence of American imperialists."

toward that goal.

Editor's Note: Mr. Scales is pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Our Readers Write

SUGGESTS LETTERS

During the State Fair held recently in Jackson I chanced to go through the Exhibit Building late one night and discovered there, much to my surprise, an exhibit sponsored by the Beer distributors of Mississippi. Under the theme "Beer—the beverage of moderation" an attractive arrangement of advertising material suggested that the beer industry was a great aid to the state through its pictures of the South printed in national magazines and through the tax paid into the state treasury. I considered this exhibit as out of place at a State Fair and wrote state officials to that effect.

Yesterday I received a letter from Mr. Si Corley, State Commissioner of Agriculture, Jackson, a part of which I quote: "We appreciate your interest in this matter and we intend to present your letter and complaint to the State Fair Board at its November meeting. All concessions are handled by the Fair Manager, Mr. J. M. Dean; however, due to your complaint it will be presented to the full Board."

If you feel as I do in this matter I hope you will write to Mr. Corley right

away so that your letter will also be before the State Fair Board. I also believe it would help the cause to write Mr. J. M. Dean, Mississippi State Fair, Jackson.

Sincerely yours,
CLAUDE W. JOHNSON,
Methodist Pastor,

Cruger, Miss.

OPEN LETTER

Dear Mississippi Baptists:

This is a letter to let you know what the Baptist students at Delta State are doing this year to further the cause of Christ. We feel that many times people do not know what is done on the state-supported college campus in the name of Christ.

We have an active Training Union and Sunday School and are often in charge of the choir at our church. Our BSU also has the Bolivar County Baptist Hour over the local radio station frequently. Then, in order to reach all the students, a daily Noonday Prayer Service is held.

Transportation has always been a big problem for the Baptist students on our campus. This year we are doing something about it! October 22 marked the beginning of our "Buy A Bus" campaign. The BSU sponsored a kickoff

banquet to spur the campaign on its way. Students are doing odd jobs for townspeople and hope to schedule several youth-led week-end revivals in the near future.

We need a bus to take us to our Convention and our Retreat. We need a bus to transport rural people to the services we hold at their mission each Sunday.

We would like to thank those who have helped us through donations and personal services in our campaign. We would appreciate your prayers and thoughts as we undertake to further the cause of Christ on our campus and in our community.

Yours in Christ,
THE BAPTIST STUDENTS
OF DELTA STATE.
—BR—

ABSENCE MAKES THE HEART

We've always liked the Baptist Record but now that we are away from home, we really appreciate it! We look forward to that visit every week.

—A Former Mississippi Pastor.

"HOW GREAT THE DARKNESS!"

Our Lord said in his Sermon on the Mount, "If the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness!" (Matt. 6:23). He is speaking of the eye as the organ of sight, and his point is that if the organ of sight becomes

darkness, how great is that darkness! Earlier in the same discourse (Matt. 5:14) he had said to his followers, "Ye are the light of the world." If his followers become darkness, who or what shall be the world's guide?

When the North Carolina lawmakers legalized gambling in certain parts of our State, I threw up my hands in horror and said in my soul and in the Open Forum as well, "What have we come to, that our lawmakers are legalizing wrong?" In New York City recently a policeman was demoted for arresting and bringing into court church people who were making money for their treasury through gambling at bingo. The following sentence is taken from the current issue of one of the strongest and most reputable papers in America: "Both Republicans and Democrats will have planks in their platforms favoring legalized bingo for church and charitable causes."

Shades of the regions of darkness! Whither are we drifting? When the politicians started it, I thought it was bad enough. What shall we say when churches begin to provide for their expenses and other financial affairs by gambling devices? Surely, we need an Elijah and a John the Baptist combined into one to cry aloud!

W. R. CULLOM.

Hospital To Dedicate Addition Tuesday, Nov. 16 At 5 P.M.

The Mississippi Baptist Hospital, W. Wilson Turner, administrator, invites all Mississippi Baptists and friends to attend the dedication program of the Simmons Addition on Tuesday, November 16.

The program, which will be at 5 p. m., is purposefully planned between the afternoon and evening sessions of the State Convention so that many people from over the state can attend.

Dr. G. Norman Price, pastor of Parkway Church, Jackson, and vice-president of the Board of Trustees, will serve as Master of Ceremonies. Harvey Hedgepeth, prominent Jackson attorney and member of the Board of Trustees, will be the speaker and Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor

of First Church, Jackson, will lead the dedicatory prayer. Student Nurses will sing during the program.

The new addition of the hospital, named in honor of D. C. Simmons, president of the Board of Trustees, has the most modern facilities to be found anywhere, including piped oxygen in each room, an inter-communication system from patients to nurses, and a telephone in each room. The first and second floors, which are already in use, provide beds for 50 patients. The third, fourth and fifth floors are not yet open.

The short service will be held on the patio of the first floor at the hospital.

James A. Fondren Resigns At Calvary In Cleveland

Rev. James A. Fondren has resigned the pastorate of the Calvary Church, of Cleveland after 32 months of service.

Under his ministry the membership grew from 136 to the present total of 416.

The original church debt was liquidated in 1953 and a new \$30,000 auditorium erected and occupied on Easter Sunday of this year.

The church now owns two lots on which they plan to build a modern pastorium.

Mr. Fondren has made no definite plans as yet. He awaits the leadership of the Lord, and is available for supply work.

Leads Music



REID MOORE

Reid Moore, minister of music for the host church, will be in charge of Convention music and will lead the combined choirs of the colleges Thursday night.

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SPANISH PROTESTANTS APPEAL ON MARRIAGES

MADRID (RNS) —Leaders of Spain's Protestant communities have appealed to the Minister of Justice to make it possible for members of their congregations to contract marriages in accordance with the provisions of the civil law.

The appeal was drawn up at a meeting here of clergymen representing all Protestant groups in this country.

It said that local authorities throughout Spain consistently refuse to issue permits for a civil wedding to Protestants. The grounds usually given, the pastors said, are that one or both of the prospective participants in the ceremony is a convert to Protestantism and having once been baptized a Roman Catholic is still a member of that faith.

The Protestant leaders contended in their memorandum that, according to canon law, Catholic baptism alone does not constitute Catholic status if a person subsequently leaves the Church. Such persons therefore should be permitted to contract civil marriages, the clergymen said.

Perry County Rally Climaxes Revival

On Thursday night, November 4, Perry County Baptist Association climaxed a county-wide stewardship revival with a rally at Runnellstown Church. All seventeen of the churches in the county participated in the revival, and Perry County ministers conducted services in different churches each night. Two student ministers from Carey College, Brethren Brown and Piggott, were included in the list of ministers.

Perry County has the Calendar of Associational Activities prepared for some months in advance. The November rally will be held at East Side Church Sunday afternoon, November 21, and Dr. J. L. Boyd, will speak on the importance and best method of keeping church records. An effort will be made to have each church clerk, pastor, Sunday School secretary, superintendent, and other officers present.

"M" night will be observed in December under the direction of Rev. W. T. Johnson of Runnellstown. In January, a Sunday School rally is planned. On February 20, a county-wide evangelistic rally will be held at Richton with Dr. C. E. Wilbanks as principal speaker, and in March there will be musical emphasis, with Dr. Jack Lyall of Carey College in charge.

Pettis Walley of Richton is moderator of the Association, and Rev. A. R. Miller is evangelism chairman for the county.

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ASSOCIATES DAY HELD BY OAKVALE CHURCH

"Associates Day" was observed by Oakvale Church on Sunday, November 7. The pastor is Rev. I. L. Northcutt. This is held once each month when the associate officers of the church direct all the services.

This observance is the effort to answer specific needs in the church. It will train more workers.

Opportunity is given for leadership participation by more of the members of the church. The advantage of fresh and new ideas concerning the church program is presented. Occasion is given for closer cooperation and association between each officer and his associate which will double the potential in each place of leadership in the church.

Host Pastor



DR. W. D. HUDGINS

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, host pastor, will be serving on this capacity for the ninth straight year.

—BR—

Catholic Women Endorse Boycott To Clean Up TV

NEW YORK (RNS) A boycott of the products of manufacturers who sponsor "objectionable" television shows was voted by the Daughters of Isabella, Roman Catholic charitable and fraternal organization, at the 34th biennial convention of its National Circle here.

In its boycott resolution, the convention said the problem of incident entertainment has passed the stage of being merely a worrisome difficulty and has become an issue of the most vital concern to all of us.

"Serious complaints have been made repeatedly by responsible persons to the producers of TV shows," the women said, "but there has been no noticeable improvement in the moral character of many productions, especially in the matter of objectionable costumes, outrageously lascivious dancing, suggestive dialogue and, occasionally, immoral plots.

"Since all efforts so far made to clean up TV entertainment have failed, there seems to remain but one effective weapon to force producers to conform to the standards of decency in their productions. That weapon is the boycotting of products advertised on objectionable television shows until such time as the objectionable features of their sponsored programs are deleted."

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

40 YEARS AGO—

Mississippi W. M. U. Number —Miss Margaret Lackey reports having organized 126 new societies, 67 new young people's organizations, spent 256 days in the field, traveling 8942 miles, with a total expense of \$162.16. Total contributions of the W. M. U. for the year amounted to \$60,454.43, a gain of 33 per cent over the previous year.

The Natchez First Church, celebrated the 64th anniversary with a home-coming and planned to "wipe out the indebtedness" on the new pastor's home. Pastor, Rev. S. J. Parrish. This church was organized in 1850 as the Wall Street Baptist Church. (Other Baptist churches in Natchez prior to 1850 were constituted in 1817 and 1837, but ceased to exist).

25 YEARS AGO—

By invitation of Editor P. I. Lipsey the column on Sunday School attendance appears for the first time, as follows: Meridian, First, 720; Jackson, First, 624; Jackson, Calvary, 794; Jackson, Davis Memorial, 399; Jackson, Griffith Memorial, 327; Jackson, Parkway, 147; Leland, 184.

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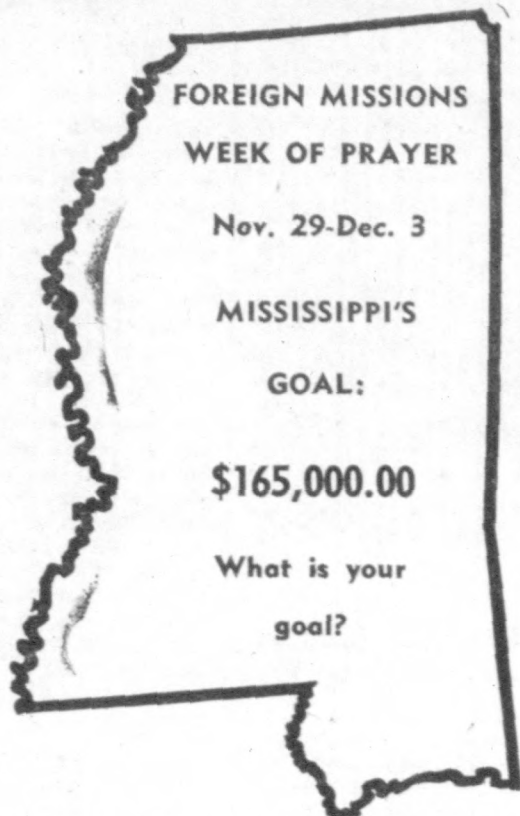
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MISSISSIPPI STUDENTS



Carver School Students

We are happy to present the picture of the Mississippi students attending Carver School, they are: seated: Jessie Smith, Blue Mountain, left to right: Sara Jo Pennebaker, Laurel; Barbaranne Carley, Yazoo City; Pauline Rowe, Grenada. We have had splendid reports of the contribution these students are making. The present address of each student is 2801 Lexington Rd., Louisville, K.

The birthdays of our Mississippi students are as follows:

Sara Jo Pennebaker, August 26; Jessie Smith, April 24; Pauline Rowe, April 25; Barbaranne Carley, February 26.

NOTICE: Bailey, Miss. We had an unsigned order for a Hand Book and a Year Book.

This was mailed in an envelope bearing the stamp "Bailey, Miss." Please let us know to whom this should be sent.

Odelle Daugherty, Please send us the address—we are holding an order for Community Mission blanks but no address was given.

Committees Preparing for Convention; Appointed At Session Last Year

The Mississippi Baptist Convention will hear reports from many committees on various phases of Baptist work, some of these committees, all of whom were appointed at last year's Convention, have been busy throughout the year making studies and preparing plans for the coming Convention. The work of others will, for the larger part, be carried on during the Convention's sessions.

A list of the committees appointed last year follows:

RESOLUTIONS: Carey Cox, Brandon, chairman; Lowrey Compere, Greenville; Van Hardin, Lucedale; W. C. Howard, Water Valley; Walter L. Moore, Meridian; Clifton Perkins, West Point; S. P. Powell, Carriere.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER: W. E. Prout, Shelby, chairman; A. B. Pierce, Jackson; James F. Kirkendall, Philadelphia; T. J. DeLaughter, Pascagoula; O. B. Beverly, Woodville; D. L. Hill, Corinth; W. G. Watson, Houston.

ORDER OF BUSINESS: Gordon Sansing, Jackson chairman, Clyde Bryan, Hattiesburg; Otis Seale, Itta Bena; L. E. Green, Prentiss.

NOMINATIONS: Rowe C. Holcomb, Hazlehurst, chairman, C. W. Thompson, Ellisville, J. S. Johnson, Plantersville; F. K. Horton, Clarksdale; E. D. Estes, Biloxi; John Maddox, Picayune; Carl Duck, Morton.

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New Music Minister

Mr. Paul Adams began his duties as Minister of Music and Education, at the Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, Nov. 1. He came to the Meridian church from the Eastern Heights Church Columbus, Georgia.

Mr. Adams is a native of Tennessee, a graduate of Carson-Newman College, has attended Southwestern Seminary, served in the man College, and has attended Southwestern Seminary, and has served in the field of music and education in the Immanuel Church, Paducah, Kentucky, South Knoxville Church, Knoxville, Tennessee, and the Emmanuel Church, Alexandria, Louisiana.

Mrs. Adams is the former Ruth Ford of Knoxville, Tennessee, and is also a graduate of Carson-Newman College. The Adams have two children, Peggie, 7, and Marvin, 1 year.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF: Joe Odle, Gulfport, chairman; Troy Prince, Carthage; T. W. Green, Jackson; L. O. Murphy, Laurel; E. D. Elliott, Greenville; W. R. Cooper, Jackson; W. M. Averett, Richton.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS: Wyatt R. Hunter, McComb, chairman; Bruce Aultman, Hattiesburg; M. V. McKinster, Flora; Dan Morton, Greenwood; John W. Cook, Decatur.

CREDENTIALS: W. C. Fields, Yazoo City, Chairman; Ira D. Eavenson, Marks; Young Gerrard, Utica; Harry Smallwood, Laurel; Eugene Robinson, Louisville.

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Laurel Highland Marks Pastor's Anniversary

Last Sunday marked the pastor's fourth anniversary at Highland Church, Laurel. The new church has been built and a pastor's home purchased.

There have been nearly 400 additions to the church with 130 of these by baptism. Total receipts have amounted to over \$90,000. Of this approximately \$8,000 has been given for missions. Rev. Jimmy Hurt is pastor.

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Baptists Oppose Legal Holiday On Good Friday

FORT WORTH, Texas (RNS) — A resolution protesting efforts to get Congress to declare Good Friday a legal holiday was adopted by the Baptist General Convention of Texas at its annual meeting here.

"Baptists have always stood for complete separation of Church and State," the resolution said. "We hereby protest such legislation and call upon Texas' 1,300,000 Baptists to let their convictions be known to their representatives in Congress."

The Convention also urged Baptist pastors to "lead our people in a full indoctrination in New Testament teachings that they thereby may be able to resist the ever-increasing insistence on the part of those who are leading in world church movements."

Begins Wade Pastorate



REV. WILLIAM MOOTE

Rev. William Moote has accepted the pastorate of the Wade Church and, when he moved on the field the church gave him a pouncing.

He came to the church from the Radio Mission of Biloxi. Former experience includes work as assistant pastor of the First Church, Ocean Springs, and the pastorate of Meadow View Church, Ocean Springs. He has done undergraduate work at Mississippi Southern.

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ANTIOCH ORDAINS TWO TO DEACONSHIP

Antioch Church, Marion Association, recently ordained Claude Smith and Shep Taylor as deacons. Rev. H. L. Beer is the pastor.

Rev. J. B. Stewart, the assistant pastor, preached the ordination sermon and presented the ordination certificates.

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL AND
TRAINING UNION
ATTENDANCE**

November 7, 1954

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| Oak Grove (Yazoo) | 75 | 344 |
| Jackson, Daniel Memorial | 678 | 141 |
| Jackson, West | 283 | 111 |
| Pearl (Rankin) | 160 | 69 |
| Richland (Rankin) | 162 | 84 |
| Elaine | 146 | 316 |
| Jackson, Van Winkle | 508 | 79 |
| Van Winkle Mission | 67 | 180 |
| Jackson, Broadmoor | 481 | 533 |
| Jackson, First | 1497 | 64 |
| Kreole, First | 110 | 567 |
| Jackson, Parkway | 1095 | 543 |
| Jackson, Calvary | 1572 | 488 |
| Main Church | 1506 | 55 |
| Mission | 66 | 140 |
| Jackson, Ridgecrest | 303 | 106 |
| Paul Truitt (Rankin) | 168 | 441 |
| Jackson, Crestwood | 607 | 226 |
| Jackson, North Side | 585 | 220 |
| Jackson, South Side | 420 | 248 |
| Clinton | 465 | 177 |
| Clarksdale | 391 | 212 |
| Laurel, First | 622 | 423 |
| Meridian, 41st Ave. | 423 | 152 |
| Hattiesburg, Main St. | 1020 | 404 |
| Columbus, South Side | 138 | 75 |
| Flowood | 86 | 130 |
| Clarksdale, Oakhurst | 509 | 152 |
| Clarksdale, Riverside | 280 | 153 |
| Charleston, First | 386 | 268 |
| Crystal Springs, First | 747 | 48 |
| Edwards | 98 | 107 |
| Pascagoula, Eastlawn | 197 | 195 |
| Greenwood, Calvary | 470 | 93 |
| Pelahatchie | 178 | 86 |
| Biloxi, East Howard | 145 | 62 |
| Bay St. Louis, First | 124 | 32 |
| Spanish Fort | 52 | 49 |
| Pleasant Ridge (Holmes) .. | 63 | 299 |
| Kosciusko, First | 785 | 753 |
| Main School | 753 | 32 |
| Maple Mission | 32 | 937 |
| Columbus, First | 937 | 112 |
| Hardy (Grenada) | 122 | 83 |
| Longview (Oktibbeha) | 105 | 123 |
| Columbus, East End | 275 | 66 |
| Gulfport, Broadmoor | 198 | 68 |
| Olive Branch | 145 | 139 |
| Morton (Scott) | 311 | 296 |
| Main | 296 | 15 |
| Mission | 15 | 480 |
| McComb, East | 480 | 114 |
| Brookhaven, Central | 114 | 125 |
| Murphy Creek (Winston) | 152 | 91 |
| Fair River (Lincoln) | 125 | 110 |
| Concord (Choctaw) | 120 | 98 |
| McComb, Friendship | 226 | 75 |
| McComb, Locust St. | 98 | 71 |
| Hernando | 137 | 115 |
| Crowder | 197 | 215 |
| Hattiesburg, Temple | 610 | 90 |
| Brookhaven, Pearlhaven | 159 | 84 |
| Mt. Zion (Lincoln) | 143 | 71 |
| Biloxi, Trinity | 188 | 81 |
| New Sight (Lincoln) | 133 | 58 |
| Sumrall | 133 | 150 |
| Stonewall | 232 | 67 |
| Fellowship (Choctaw) | 86 | 143 |
| Laurel, Highland | 291 | 221 |
| Hattiesburg, First | 697 | 81 |
| Friendship (Jackson) | 81 | 70 |
| Calvary (Pike) | 92 | 76 |
| Brownsville, Beulah | 76 | 162 |
| Cleveland, Immanuel | 162 | 56 |
| Niland Chapel (Bolivar) | 56 | 64 |
| Cleveland, First | 620 | 201 |
| Main School | 574 | 46 |
| Chinese Mission | 46 | 863 |
| Pascagoula, First | 863 | 255 |
| Main School | 682 | 44 |
| Jackson Ave. Chapel | 73 | 33 |
| McArthur Chapel | 48 | 36 |
| Orange Grove Chapel | 60 | 78 |
| County Line (Jones) | 95 | 111 |
| Long Beach, First | 285 | 180 |
| Poplar Springs Drive | 456 | 122 |
| Hurricane Creek (Marion) | 122 | 99 |
| Shiloh (Marion) | 99 | 289 |
| Grenada, Emmanuel | 289 | 105 |

For The Rest Of My Life
BY N. S. JACKSON

Some years ago I spent a Sunday in Drew speaking in the Methodist and Baptist churches. On Monday following with the Methodist pastor I went down to Parchman. We met some of the inmates. One, a young man in his late twenties, when asked how long he would there, said, "For the rest of my life." He said, "I was happily married to a good woman as ever lived. We were happy together until I started drinking. She begged me not to drink; but I kept on. One night I came in under the influence of liquor and she begged me to quit. I became furiously angry, and grabbing a stick of wood from a pile by the heater, I struck her." Pausing a moment he said, "I killed her, the only one I really loved. It does not matter now where I am. I am as happy here as I would be anywhere. There is not a minute of the day that I do not remember that I killed the only one I really loved, and it does not matter where I am."

Another experience: Some years ago a good friend, well-known in circles of church and state while we waited for an elevator, asked that I come by his office before leaving the building. I went as he requested, and he went into his private office, shut the door and sat down at his desk. Turning he

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| Main Church | 264 |
| Futheyville Chapel | 25 |
| Grenada, First | 752 |
| Purvis, First | 252 |
| Mission | 22 |
| Glenfield (Union) | 100 |
| Eupora, First | 245 |
| Petal-Harvey | 365 |
| Canton, Center Terrace .. | 287 |
| Laurel, Wildwood | 251 |
| Taylorville | 186 |
| Vicksburg, First | 598 |
| Meridian, South Side | 453 |
| Union, First | 364 |
| Columbus, Calvary | 191 |
| Oxford, North | 182 |
| Gulfport, Grace Memorial .. | 260 |
| New Albany, First | 708 |
| Mission | 69 |
| Picayune, First | 651 |
| Columbia, First | 701 |
| First Church | 616 |
| South Columbia Mis. | 85 |
| Calhoun City, First | 334 |
| Ripley | 332 |
| Hattiesburg, 38th Ave. | 181 |
| Laurel, Harmony | 185 |
| West Point, Calvary | 291 |
| West Point, Calvary | 607 |
| Aberdeen, First | 434 |
| Houston, First | 271 |
| Gulfport, New Hope | 129 |
| Gulfport, Calvary | 55 |
| Jackson, Highland | 129 |
| White Rock Mission | 6 |
| Springfield (Scott) | 144 |
| Nola | 53 |
| Waynesboro, Calvary | 194 |
| Lucedale | 351 |
| Shiloh (Lawrence) | 122 |

October 31, 1954

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| Brookhaven, Pearlhaven | 159 |
| Columbus, Calvary | 179 |
| Mt. Zion (Lincoln) | 132 |
| Clarksdale, Riverside | 305 |
| Corinth, Tate Street | 261 |
| Spanish Fort | 61 |
| Meridian, South Side | 478 |
| West Point, Calvary | 247 |
| Friendship (Jackson) | 70 |
| Sumrall | 137 |

**Newcomer To
Convention**



DR. J. RALPH GRANT

Dr. J. Ralph Grant, pastor First will speak Wednesday night at 8:50.

said, "I don't know whether you know it or not; but my oldest son is a hopeless drunkard. We are sending him to Whitfield today." He broke down and wept like a child. I tried to comfort him but with little success. Later, I was told that he the father had kept liquor in his home, but adored excessive drinking. He drank with his drinking friends, and they drank with him. While he never drank excessively his son went to an institution for alcoholics, and I have heard that he is still in an institution.

The first story reveals the danger to those who drink.

The second story reveals the danger to others who have relatives or friends who drink—THE EFFECT WE HAVE ON LIVES OF OTHERS TOTAL ABSTINENCE IS SAFEST.

(Editor's Note: Mr. Jackson says he is having a good response to his recent appeal published in the Baptist Record urging people to pray earnestly during these troubled times.

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Within the compass of thirty pages, WHEN THE FAMILY PRAYS, Hazen G. Werner has distilled a lifetime of experience on the values and methods of making religion effective as a family affair. He sees the values of the family as a praying and worshipping unit as perhaps few men of our time. In this little book he presents an inspiring and practical guide book for the family. It is obvious that the author had a present day family in mind as he wrote. His examples and his suggestions all belong to our own time and relate to our problems. It is a practical book to give to a young family, especially at a time when religion seems to come to the fore: sometimes marriage is the occasion; often it is the birth of the first child; sometimes when illness or difficulty strikes the family; or when a family unites with the church. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the Upper Room, 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee for 15 cents per copy or 8 copies for \$1.

Brotherhood Department

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THE LAST CALL

Brotherhood Rally next Monday

This is the last call for at least 2000 Baptist men to attend the Baptist Brotherhood Rally to be held in Jackson next Monday at the First Baptist Church. The afternoon session beginning at 2 ending at 4:15 and the evening session beginning at 7 and ending at 9 is to be held at the First Baptist Church. The banquet from 5 until 6:30 will be out at Calvary Baptist Church.

Do you have your ticket to the banquet? If not write, wire or call us immediately for reservation. The tickets are \$1.00 each but you had better have them before you get here. The menu which is as follows: baked ham, creamed potatoes, green beans, salad, bread, butter tea or coffee and apple pie.

The afternoon session promises to be one of the most practical ever held. Among others to appear on the program will be Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Foreign Mission Board.

The evening session promises to be one of the greatest ever held in the Baptist circles in Mississippi. Dr. Cauthen, one of the greatest voices of missions today, will bring the closing message for the evening session. Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Jackson, and one of the truly great preachers of our generation will be the first speaker. Miss Edwina Robinson, our WMU Secretary, has kindly consented to speak to our great host of men on "Our Greatest Assets—Our Boys" at the evening session.

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Among the institutions are: Mississippi College, Blue Mountain College, Clarke Memorial College, William Carey College, the Baptist Orphanage, and the Baptist Hospital and its Gilfoy School of Nursing. The Convention joins Tennessee and Arkansas in owning the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis, and partially supports the Mississippi Baptist Seminary (Negro) located in Jackson.

Boards set up by the Convention include: Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, which administers the State Mission work and the Board of Ministerial Education.

The Baptist Foundation is the one agency of the Convention.

The program of the Convention is a comprehensive one and every detail of our program of missions, education and benevolences is carried out through our institutions, boards and agencies.

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According to the daily papers, cigarette smokers received another jolt this week when the Public Health Cancer Association adopted a resolution urging the people to stop smoking cigarettes in order to reduce the incidents of lung cancer. The scientists said there was now sufficient evidence of the relationship between smoking cigarettes and lung cancer. Dr. Leonard S. Snegrieff of the Harvard University School of Public Health said that he would suggest that youths ponder whether the risk of developing lung cancer is worth the "pleasure" from smoking. Dr. Levin said the risk for getting lung cancer is about ten times greater for the person who smokes a pack of cigarettes or more a day.

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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Riverside Association

The Riverside Association met with the Clarksdale Church, Rev. Carmon Sharp, pastor. The ladies prepared a dinner that was fit for a king. And the way some of the kings ate, there is going to be need for reducing.

The association's Program Committee tried a new plan for the program. Instead of reading reports with a lot of figures that nobody could remember they asked each speaker to discuss his subject and turn in the report. The people seemed to approve of this plan.

The Baptist Record was given a good spot, as was the Cooperative Program. We spoke on both subjects. Officers elected are: Moderator, S. B. Wise; Vice-Moderator, Ralph Nelson; Clerk, Rev. Joe A. Mayer; Treasurer, Guy Hurt.

Next year's meeting will be held October 18, and Rev. Carmon Sharp will preach the sermon. The alternate is Rev. Paul Harwood.

Record readers in Riverside Association are now listed as follows:

Fairview 2, CLARKSDALE 175, JONESTOWN 42, LULA 68, LYON 80, Reynolds Memorial 2, Union Chapel 18, RIVERSIDE 131, OAKHURST 275, Fairhaven 16, Dundee 19, TUNICA 105, BELEN 27, CROWDER 130, DARLING 77, HOLLYWOOD 31, LAMBERT 118, MARKS 181, SLEDGE 25, Walnut 3.

Jones County Association

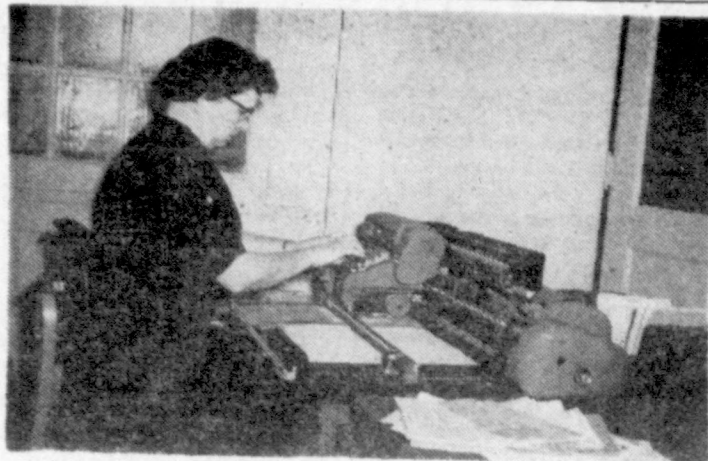
The Jones County Association met in annual session with the Second Avenue Church, Laurel. Although the church is now pastorless (they do not expect to stay that way long) they had things well in hand and proved themselves to be excellent hosts.

Evidently the Jones County Baptists appreciate their present officers, for all were re-elected.

They are: Moderator, S. H. McDonnell; Vice-Moderator, Rev. W. E. Hellen; Clerk, Jerry Martin; Treasurer, S. L. Smith.

We were only able to attend the night session. The outstanding address of the evening was delivered by Dr. Cecil Jones of Bay Springs. He spoke on "The Stewardship Revival."

A good spot on the program was given to the Baptist Record and



Shown above is Mrs. Daphne Pridgen, head bookkeeper at Baptist Headquarters, as she writes checks on the electric bookkeeping machine. These checks go to the various causes supported by Mississippi Baptists and the amount each cause receives is according to the instructions of the giver or in the case of Cooperative Program funds according to the percentages adopted by the Convention.

several of the representatives of the very few churches that do not have the EVERY FAMILY Plan indicated that they would take care of the situation at an early date.

Record readers in Jones County are now listed as follows: FREEDOM, 56; BETHEL, 23; BETHLEHEM, 101; CALVARY, 32; COUNTY LINE, 44; ELLISVILLE, 145; FAIRFIELD, 44; Fellowship, 5; Friendship, 2; HARMONY, 122; HEBRON, 53; INDIAN SPRINGS, 90; LAUREL FIRST, 452; LAUREL SECOND AVENUE, 261; LAUREL, MAGNOLIA STREET, 116; LAUREL, SOUTH, 42; LAUREL, WEST, 100; MOSELLE, 45; EAST VIEW, 72; NEW HOPE, 36; OAKLAND GROVE, 37; OVETT, 42; PECAN GROVE, 39; PINE GROVE, 49; SANDERSVILLE, 79; SAND HILL, 36; SHARON, 86; SHELTON, 20; SOSO, 106; SUMMERLAND, 52; Tucker's Crossing, 4; GLADE, 131; Pleasant Ridge, 1; WEST ELLISVILLE, 80; LAUREL, HIGHLAND, 135; Laurel, Joe Wheeler, 20; LAUREL, WILWOOD, 206; Laurel, Emmanuel, 29; HILLCREST 25.

Benson, North Carolina

I had waited 40 years for the invitation and accepted it pronto. I refer to the invitation to lead in a revival meeting in my home church, Benson, North Carolina.

It was one of the most delightful weeks in all my life. Having been away from home except for brief visits occasionally for 45 years, it was refreshing to be back and have time enough to seek out and to be sought out by friends of many years ago. However, many friends of my boyhood could not be seen, for they had passed on. In fact, most of them have.

It certainly was a privilege and a pleasure to be back among home folks and also to see the great progress made at our old home church during these many years.

The present pastor is Rev. H. O. Lanning. He and his wife (she was formerly Educational Director at First Church, Oklahoma City) are leading that church in a great way. Plans are now on foot to erect an educational building. And it will not be too soon. It has been needed for years.

I must also examine that verse which reads, "A prophet is not

without honor save in his own country." Certainly my hometown and home people could not have treated anyone better. They came in large numbers to hear their hometown boy preach and then invited me into their homes to eat and then relive the days gone by.

Newton County Association

The Newton County Association met with Clarke-Venable Church in an evening session and a day session at Poplar Springs Church. We attended the day session. Rev. E. L. Clarke was host pastor and he and the Poplar Springs people were perfect hosts. The dinner was fit for a king.

Officers elected are Moderator, Dr. John F. Carter; Vice Moderator, Harold Gallaspy; Clerk, Dr. J. L. Clark.

The 1955 session will be held with Hickory Church on Monday night after the second Sunday in October and at New Ireland Church on the following Tuesday.

Rev. W. E. Overstreet was named to preach the associational sermon and Rev. E. L. Clark as alternate.

Record readers in Newton County are now listed as follows:

BETHEL 48, BEULAH 44, Center Ridge 1, Chunky 12, Cross Road 15, DECATUR, CLARKE VENABLE 108, DUFFEE 43, Good Hope 1, HICKORY 80, LAWRENCE 29, LIBERTY 43, MIDWAY 23, MT. PLEASANT 24, MT. VERNON 36, NEW IRELAND 31, New Prospect 18, N. PROVIDENCE 26, NEWTON 344, Pine Grove 16, PINCKNEY 20, PLEASANT HILL 42, Rock Branch 2, STRATTON 25, SULPHUR SPRINGS 41, UNION, FIRST 203.

Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, Pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

for the Baptist Record.
Coaxing a Husband

Question:

I am a person who likes to go to church, and try very hard to live a Christian life.

My problem is this. When Sunday comes my husband always finds some kind of excuse to keep from going. I don't want to press him too far. What must I do about it?

Answer:

You have a sensible attitude. Don't press him too far. Men don't like to be dominated by women. It makes us feel that we are not real men. And the more we fear our masculinity the more we have to throw our weight around.

No one method will work on all men but every smart woman learns how to work us. The following methods will usually work:

First, be very good and understanding to your husband. Never ridicule him nor make him feel inferior. Brag on him, feed him, love him, and ask his opinion.

Second, try to see why your husband does not like to go to church. If his reason is such that reasonable persuasion, prayer, and love cannot overcome it, give up. That is, accept the fact that if he changes, he and God must effect the change. Too many married people are trying to change each other.

Finally, love your husband as he is. Set him such an example of Christian living that when you die, he will want to spend eternity with you.

Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

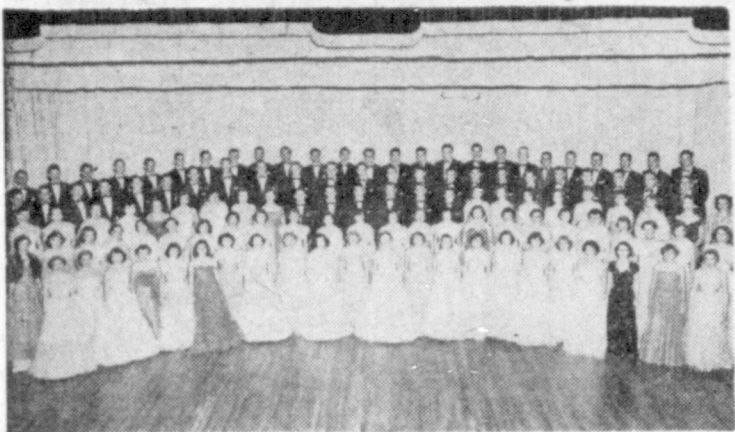
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People will give more toward a large goal than a small one. Nobody is challenged by a campaign for a small amount of money. The appeal for large, sacrificial gifts will bring large, sacrificial gifts. The appeal for a small amount of money sometimes does not bring even a small amount of money. Never be afraid to set a high goal. — From DEVELOPING A GIVING CHURCH by W. E. Grindstaff (Fleming H. Revell Company).



To Sing At Brotherhood Rally



The Mississippi College chorale choir will render special music at the Brotherhood Rally Monday evening. Prof. E. N. Elsey will direct.

Graham Crusade Wakes New Orleans

By DR. J. D. GREY, Pastor, First Church Crusade Chairman.

The Billy Graham Crusade for Greater New Orleans came to a climactic close Sunday afternoon, October 31, when nearly 62,000 people crowded into Tulane Stadium, the famous "Sugar Bowl". This was the mightiest demonstration for Christ evangelical Christianity has ever had in Louisiana. Governor Robert F. Kennon and Mayor deLesseps S. Morrison spoke expressing their appreciation for what the Crusade had meant to New Orleans and to the state. At the close of Dr. Graham's sermon, 800 persons came forward making decisions for Christ.

New Orleans has been considered a city of wickedness, immorality, and sin. It has not always been easy to witness for Christ in this old world city. However, during the past four weeks, we have seen things happen that we ministers never believed possible.

First, an average attendance of over 10,000 people each night and

First Church Staff Active In Entertaining State Convention

The generosity of the First Church, Jackson, and the courtesy of its staff is greatly appreciated by the Mississippi Baptist Convention. For the thirteenth successive year First Church has been host to the convention. The convention appreciates the friendly cooperation and helpfulness of each member of the church and of the staff listed below:

Pastor, W. Douglas Hudgins; Pastor Emeritus, W. A. Hewitt; Administrator, E. L. Herring; Educational Director, Pat Clendinning; director of Missionary Education, Mrs. G. A. Carothers; Educational Secretary, Miss Gladys Clement; Director of Music, Reid Moore; organist, Miss Hazel Chisholm; Office Secretary, Mrs. Louis D. Mahaffey; financial secretary, Miss Sue Horton; church hostess, Mrs. J. V. Buckels; Church nursery supervisor, Mrs. R. B. Stovall.

The Missionary Album of the Foreign Mission Board, 1954 edition, is dedicated to Dr. M. Theron Rankin, "whose life touched every life included in it." Dr. Rankin was executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, 1945 - 1953; Secretary for the Orient, 1935-1945; and Missionary to China, 1921-1935. He died in 1953. The album presents the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board Staff at home and abroad. It contains over a thousand pictures and biographical sketches. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from Broadman Press, Nashville, Tennessee.

over 15,000 on Sundays, packed Pelican Stadium.

Secondly, 4,919 persons came forward, making decisions for Christ. 46 per cent of these came upon profession of faith, the others for dedication or assurance of salvation. All of these are being directed into the churches of their choice to be enlisted for church membership.

Thirdly, the churches of the city have been strengthened.

Fourthly, the Crusade has caused the entire city to discuss religion. In the barbershops, at the railroad station, on the street corners, in the department stores, in the restaurants—people are discussing and talking religious themes.

The ministers of every denomination in this city are thanking God that the Billy Graham team ever came to New Orleans. Dr. Graham's Bible centered messages have given encouragement and inspiration to every Protestant minister in this area. As one church leader remarked, "This Crusade has caused Protestantism to turn the corner" in its witness in this nominally Catholic community. 150 churches of the Greater New Orleans Area participated in one way or another in the Crusade.

Splendid cooperation was also shown by every other denomination. Thousands of Catholics attended the services and hundreds made their decision for Christ. There was no noticeable opposition from the Catholic hierarchy, but on the other hand it was reliably reported that many priests attended and privately advised their people to attend. We thank God for Billy Graham and for the fact that he is a Baptist.

Man Of Distinction

We should like to add two more persons to the long list of "men of distinction." The liquor crowd presents men of distinction with the implied idea that whiskey helps do the job.

The two named below seem to be "men of distinction."

There was the Connecticut motorist who was driving 105 miles an hour on a parkway. He smashed into a station wagon, killing a man and a child riding in it.

The driver admitted he and his companion had consumed 17 cans of beer (they say it is not intoxicating) and over a quart of whiskey before setting out on the road. At least, he has the distinction of two lives snuffed out because of his drunken driving.

A judge in Chicago looked at the tired, haggard face of a man appearing before him. The man had been picked up, pitifully drunk, on Chicago's Skid Row. The judge felt that he knew the accused man and he did. It turned out that the man was the judge's commanding officer in World War I. Once a prominent corporation lawyer, law-school instructor, and a respected member of the community, he had gone downhill rapidly. He is entitled to join the growing list of men of distinction.

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Return Engagement



DR. W. A. CRISWELL

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor First Baptist Church, Dallas, and always a convention favorite, will speak Thursday afternoon at 3:40.

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Church Papers Stifled In Soviet Zone

BERLIN (RNS)—Religious publications are available to only 305,000 of the 18,000,000 Christians in the Soviet Zones because of severe newsprint restrictions imposed by Communist authorities on church papers, a survey disclosed here.

In sharp contrast, the religious press in West Germany has 13 million readers—almost 25 per cent of the entire population.

Church papers in the Western zone have increased nearly six-fold in the last seven years, to 524. Of these 263 are Protestant publications, with a circulation of 4,300,000; Roman Catholic papers number 166, with 7,400,000 readers and 63 others, of various denominations, have 1,100,000 subscribers.

Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

SHARKEY-ISSAQUENA HOLDS SUCCESSFUL MUSIC WEEK

Under the leadership of Mrs. D. D. Satterwhite of Rolling Fork, the Sharkey - Issaquena Association scored a very high average during the week of October 24-29 in a county-wide Music School. With only ten churches in the association, nine churches co-operated with the Music effort held at Rolling Fork with delegations attending part or all of the entire week.

The enrolment reached a total of 131. This gives Sharkey-Issaquena a ninety percent average in co-operation and a very high enrollment for a new association. Classes were held in theory and conducting led by W. C. Morgan and Mrs. Satterwhite and Mrs. Martock led the class in hymn playing. A general choral session was held in which everybody took part. The Sharkey-Issaquena Music Program is on its way.

STATE MUSIC REGISTRATIONS COMING THICK AND FAST

The pre-registration cards for our coming State Music Festival were mailed on Thursday, October 28. These cards are coming in the Music Office in every mail and we are expecting the largest State Festival in the history of the Music Work in Mississippi.

It is possible some groups may not know whether they can attend or not until the last moment. If this is the case, just come on to the festival without returning this pre-registration card. However, it will help us greatly in planning the festival if you are able to return this card as soon as possible.

This year we will have two concerts. The concert to be held at 8:30 p.m. will be an integrated program using all age group choirs. The concert to be held at 8:30 p.m. will be the singing of anthems from the Church Musician and others listed on the program. These two concerts make it possible for all groups participating in our program to be in at least one concert.

If you are qualified to enter the hymn playing or your church is qualified to enter a choral or instrumental group, don't miss this opportunity.

A CONTINUATION OF THE STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE

Point Number III in the Standard of Excellence is listed below.

III. GRADING

1. The department shall include at least two choirs of different age groups.
2. The choirs shall be divided by ages according to a definite pattern.

Rev. B. B. McGee To Pastor Red Banks

Rev. B. B. McGee, pastor at Abbeville, has resigned to become pastor at Red Banks, Marshall Association.

The work at Abbeville has experienced a steady growth. Baptism totaled 45 and 25 were received by letter.

Sunday school attendance went from 35 to 70 and Training Union attendance from 25 to 45.

The church adopted a regular budget and an educational annex was built.

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God has built countless bridges to men's minds, but He has placed one limitation on Himself; He does not cross the last drawbridge into our minds until we invite Him. It is a drawbridge which we open and close from within the castle of our souls. Don't ask me why; I don't know. I suppose it is because He wants His sons to have free wills. Whatever the reason, God's final problem in bridge-building is to get past the portal of our own minds.—From CHANNELS OF SPIRITUAL POWER by Frank C. Laubach (Fleming H. Revell Company).

Bookstore Again To Feature Good Exhibit

Mrs. O. M. Jones, manager of the Baptist Book Store in Jackson, has planned an interesting exhibit, which will be displayed in the lower auditorium. Sunday School workers, pastors, soul-winners and all Christians will find books of interest in their particular fields attractively displayed in the Exhibit. Books of poetry, fiction and non-fiction will be included, as well as various other items handled by the Bookstore. Two new releases available during the convention will be "Very Truly Yours," by Mississippi's Dr. Chester Swor, and Broadman's Comments for 1955, the Sunday School commentary which is written this year by Dr. E. F. Haight, president of Anderson Baptist College in South Carolina.

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Dr. G. Earl Guinn, president of Louisiana College, Pineville, will bring the address on Christian education Wednesday morning at 11:35.

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Seminary Luncheons To Meet Simultaneously

Alumnae of Southern, Southwestern and New Orleans Seminaries again will have luncheon meetings simultaneously during the convention. This plan has worked successfully when used during past conventions and was therefore again given consideration by those preparing the program.

The program of the convention has been adjusted to allow more time at noon Wednesday to provide for these meetings. The morning session will adjourn at 12:05 and the afternoon session will resume at 2:15, allowing two hours and ten minutes between sessions on that day.

The New Orleans Seminary will meet at Calvary Church, the Southern Seminary at First Church, and the Southwestern Seminary at Northside Church.

Tickets for these meetings will be available in the foyer of the host church.

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McAdams Church, Rev. V. R. Crider, pastor, went the second mile in observing Stewardship Week. They observed October as Stewardship Month. At the Request of the church the pastor preached twice each Sunday (5) in October on Stewardship and then cooperated in the Associational Stewardship Week with different speakers each night.

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Sparks & Splinters

If anybody is working harder than Rev. Gwin Terrell Turner, we have not heard about it. Mr. Turner is attending Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, and pastoring the Pilgrim's Rest Church in Panola county. He leaves for Fort Worth on Sunday night after church and returns Thursday night and Friday. He spends Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in classes and carries a heavy load of 15 hours. Church services are held Friday night, Sunday morning, and Sunday night.

Antioch Church in Lowndes County presented a Bible to Rev. C. S. Mullins, pastor, on his birthday when a surprise party was given in his honor in the recently completed recreation room of the church.

ECRU CHURCH HAS PUBLISHED a thirty-four page booklet giving the fifty year history of the church which was organized in 1904. The book, which is attractive in both makeup and material used, includes pictures of the church, pastorum, site of organization, and former pastors. T. M. Wingo, church clerk who compiled the booklet, secured information during the past two years by writing many letters, talking with many people and studying church and association minutes. The church is selling the book for one dollar.

Any church seeking a qualified church worker should write the Baptist Record for the name of a qualified worker. Available is a middle-aged woman, daughter of a well-known Baptist pastor. She has had experience as a financial secretary, secretary in a business organization, approved BTU worker, experience in Sunday School, Training Union and W.M.U. She is a graduate of Mississippi Woman's College and took her business training at Union University.

Rev. J. E. Jackson has resigned the pastorate at Silver City. Mrs. James Sandling is the treasurer of Silver City Church.

If you want to read the history of Baptists in a nutshell, read the thrilling story of THE BAPTISTS, a 55-page account of Baptist beginnings in the vivid style of Frank S. Mead, former executive editor of Christian Herald. History, adventure, and drama are packed into the account. "You follow the Baptists through persecution and opposition to the religious freedom they helped to pound into the laws of nations. First published in the author's book, See These Banners Go, this book makes you grateful for the sacrifices made, and the victories won by Baptists." Order from the Baptist Book Store or from Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn. (\$1).

In a personal letter from William Clawson, one of our foreign missionaries now located in San Jose, Costa Rica, he says, "We enjoy every copy of the Baptist Record and don't stop reading it until all is covered. Then we share it with other ones of our students in language school from Mississippi. 'Thanks for such an inspirational paper.'"

The Kemper Association expressed its opposition to the sale or distribution of alcoholic beverages by resolutions passed in its annual meeting. The following action has been included in the minutes:

"Be it resolved that the Kemper Association go on record as being unanimously opposed to the sale, or distribution in any manner, of alcoholic beverages to the members of our armed forces of these United States; that the Moderator of said Association be instructed to write our Senators and State Representatives to please vote against any bill in favor of the program."

The First Church, Jacksonville, Florida, has recently celebrated the fifteenth anniversary of the pastorate of Dr. Homer G. Lindsay. During this time there have been 6,901 additions with 2,180 coming on profession of faith. The Sunday School enrollment has grown from 750 to 2550 and the Training Union from 125 to 925. The contributions have increased from \$23,000 to more than \$200,000 per year.

We have greater light, but what are we doing with it? We have more speed, but where is it carrying us? The method of news transmission is hundreds of times faster than it was a century ago, but what is the news that is being carried over these facilities? We have multiplied horsepower into atomic power, but in what state has this discovery of power left the world? The nations which were successful in perfecting it now recoil in horror from it. The other nations have nightmares day and night because of it. We thought that we were making progress. We made material things our god, but, behold, we have awakened to the realization that our home-made gods are not powerful enough to save us, but powerful enough to destroy us in short order. Thus many are beginning to retreat from the god they have made and to lift their eyes to the God who made them. Maybe we are approaching the time when men will fear their own gods and serve the true and living God. From HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION by R. C. Campbell, (Fleming H. Revell Company).

PRAYERS OF THE MIDDLE AGES—A rich mine of inspiration and devotion, is subtitled "Light From a Thousand Years". Dr. J. Manning Potts, editor of The Upper Room, has gathered these prayers from many sources having in mind that the principle use would be in individual and family devotions. Here, are prayers for special occasions, morning prayers and evening prayers, prayers for the church, for forgiveness, for guidance and protection, for loved ones, for friends, for strength and grace and zeal. Those who have thought of the years from the Fall of Rome to the Reformation as a period of spiritual darkness will see those are a thousand years in a new light as they make these prayers their own. The book in maroon flexible binding with gold stamping is convenient in size, its usefulness increased by a subject and author index. Order from The Upper Room, 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee for 50 cents per copy or 12 copies for \$5. Or from the Baptist Book Store.

Board President



REV. J. R. DAVIS

Rev. J. R. Davis, New Albany, will preside over the meeting of both the executive committee Monday morning and the convention board Monday afternoon.

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Antioch Church in Lowndes County had a record attendance in both Sunday School and Training Union Sunday, October 31. This was the first time in the history of the church the attendance had been over 100. There were 114 in Sunday School and 109 in Training Union.

A luncheon meeting of the Hinds County Blue Mountain College Alumnae will be held in the Ball Room at the Edwards Hotel, Jackson, at 12 noon Wednesday, November 17. At this time "Mother Berry Day" will be observed. A special invitation is extended to all Blue Mountain alumnae throughout the state to attend this meeting.

Evangelical Sunday School Lesson Commentary is a manual for Sunday School Teachers. The 1955 edition has just been released from the press. Each lesson of this commentary provides an abundance of teaching help, more, in fact than any one teacher will use. The contents of each lesson arranged to the fullest advantage of the teacher are as follows: Daily Bible Readings; lesson text and teaching outline; lesson exposition; topical helps and illustrations; Golden Text homily; heart of the lesson; evangelistic emphasis, review and discussion; departmental application. Seven writers from a variety of denominations contributed. It gives a strictly evangelical interpretation of the Scriptures. (It is on the Uniform Bible Lesson Series). Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the Higley Press, Butler, Indiana for \$2.

THE GAMBLING MENACE

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BSSB) — Gambling, like drinking, often begins in the home, the November issue of Home Life points out in an article, "The Gambling Menace Is Everywhere."

Gambling often suggests the race track or the casino or a resort city, but Howard R. Smith, author of the article in the Christian family magazine of Southern Baptists, warns that gamblers, frequently receive their early training in homes where there are cards, dice, dominoes, and other apparatus of the gambling hall.

"Often families take up these games as a harmless pastime," Smith writes, "sharing their fascination with guests. Then they discover that they have become powerful, time-consuming habits. Gambling, in the home and outside, often follows."

In cities where gambling flourishes, families have lost their homes and been unable to meet obligations or buy food due to heavy losses. Racketeers move in to control the local government and immorality and lawlessness are soon rampant.

But the gambling menace threatens even those cities where it is not legalized, the article warns. Slot machines and punch boards have taken the lunch money of school children more than once, and the seemingly innocuous practice of matching to pay for soft drinks often is the opening wedge which leads to betting and gambling.

"If Christians sincerely hunger and thirst after righteousness and desire to be good witnesses," Smith declares, "they should always consider the consequences of compromising in this matter of entertainment and use of leisure time."

—BR—

According to the Executive Committee of the SBC, Mississippi in October, 1954 gave \$62,386.64 to the Cooperative Program and \$4,598.99 to designated purposes, making a total of \$66,985.63.

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THREE SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTIONS, FEBRUARY 22-24

Our 1955 Mississippi Sunday School Conventions will be in Pontotoc First Baptist Church on Tuesday, February 22; in the Louisville First Baptist church on Wednesday, February 23, and in the Laurel First Baptist Church on Thursday, February 24.

We have a great program planned and some excellent conference leaders and inspirational speakers. Dr. Ramsey Pollard, pastor of the Broadway Baptist Church, Knoxville, Tenn., is the principal inspirational speaker, and he is among the very best in our Convention.

So, Sunday school leaders, plan now to attend the Convention that is nearest you. The program is identical for each place, and there will be morning, afternoon and evening sessions for each of the three days.

Put these dates on your calendar now.

ATLANTA ADULT CONFERENCE

December 30-31, in the First Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga., there will be a Sunday school conference on Adult work only.

The conference opens at 10 o'clock on the morning of the 30 and closes at noon on the 31.

This meeting is for Sunday school

officers and teachers who work with Adult classes and departments. Of course, this includes pastors, educational directors and others working with Adults.

Each person pays his own expenses for the trip, including room and meals while in Atlanta.

PIKE PREPARES EARLY

We hear frequently that getting a good ready means much in any program. That is very true.

Miss Alexine Gibson, educational secretary of the McComb First Baptist church, is also the associational Vacation Bible school superintendent.

In giving us the record of the work along that line for this year's record, she also stated that the date for their 1955 associational clinic had been set for May 1.

That's good early planning and the way it should be. Planning precedes progress all along the line. The more we do of this, the more and better results we see.

NOT TOO LATE YET

It is not too late to get in on the Southwide Sunday school clinic in New Orleans next January 8-21.

If you are interested, let us know. All the expense to you will be transportation and a registration fee of \$15.00.

C. A. Webb Accepts Cleveland Pastorate



REV. C. A. WEBB

Rev. C. A. Webb has assumed the pastorate of the First Church, Cleveland. He was formerly pastor of Superior Avenue Church, Bogalusa, La.

A native Mississippian and a graduate of Mississippi College, Mr. Webb received his Master of Theology degree from Southern Seminary. He went to Bogalusa in 1946 after serving as chaplain with the Fifth Army in North Africa and Italy. At the time of his resignation in Bogalusa he was a member of the Louisiana Baptist Executive Board, member of the Board of Trustees of the Louisiana Baptist Foundation, moderator of the Washington Parish Baptist Association and treasurer of the Baptist's District 11 convention which includes the Flori-

Southern Seminary To Close For Simultaneous Revivals

LOUISVILLE, Ky. —(BP)— For the first time in the history of Southern Baptist Theological Seminary the school will close for one week so that its students can devote the period to evangelism. The unprecedented closing will come during the simultaneous revival crusade and will mean that the students will not be charged for absences during the week. "They will be charged with absences beyond that week," President Duke K. McCall announced, "but at any rate, they can be in a two-week revival and be charged with only one week of absences."

"To me, this is the most unusual, as well as the greatest, appraisal of evangelism of any incident that has taken place in the Southern Baptist denomination in its history," C. E. Matthews, director of the great national crusade and secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention's Department of Evangelism, said. "When we think of all that great student body, and the emphasis that is placed on education being released for one week, it ought to encourage all of us. God is in this matter," Matthews stated in commenting on the decision of the Louisville school.

da parishes.

He and Mrs. Webb have one child, Mary Gaye. His parents are Rev. and Mrs. Homer H. Webb, Sr., of Jackson.

Handsboro Church Sees Pastor's Anniversary

The Handsboro Church last Sunday observed the third anniversary of the pastorate of Rev. Glenn Dismukes.

Much progress has been made, as reflected in the 438 additions during the three years.

On the same Sunday the church welcomed Wayde Ousley as music director of the church.

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5 Newton County Churches Have Stewardship Revival

Five Baptist Churches of Newton county united in the observance of the Annual Stewardship Revival. The churches taking part in this method of holding a Stewardship Revival were Midway, Clarke-Venable at Decatur, Hickory, Poplar Springs, and First in Newton.

The theme of the meetings were "We Have His Treasury". The pastors of these churches moved from one church to the next each night and brought the following messages: Dr. John F. Carter, "Let Everyone of You"; Rev. J. W. Cook, "Tithing, An Act of Worship"; Dr. L. A. Curtis, "Man's Stewardship"; Rev. E. L. Clark, "God's Ownership", and Rev. R. T. B. Leavell, "Churches are Stewards Too."

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Goal Of 24,462 Set For "M" Night Attendance In Mississippi, 1954



Yes, let's all pull together and reach the goal of 24,462 in our "M" Nights this year! Last year we had 17,101, and the year before 8,154. To reach this goal we need to have "M" Night in each of the 75 associations. DEC. 6, 1954 is the suggested date this year, but some of our associations found it necessary to schedule it earlier and some later. If you have an "M" Night, please report it to your state Training Union Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson.

CENTRAL SCHOOL IN GRENADA ASSOCIATION
 Grenada Association engaged in a Central Leadership Training

School during the week of October 25-30, 287 were enrolled in the school with an average attendance of 201. The following churches participated in the school: Bethel, Hardy, Emmanuel, Grenada First, Hebron, Holcomb, Pleasant Grove, Hillside.

Herbert Batson is Associational Training Union Director. Dr. J. W. Landrum was host pastor for the school.

Mr. Kermit S. King taught the general officers and Adults and Miss Hill was the teacher for the Young People. Miss Neta Stewart taught the Junior and Intermediate leaders and Miss Evelyn George was the teacher for the Nursery, Beginner and Primary leaders. Miss Betty Jane Hunt taught the Intermediates and Rev. Harry Kellog taught the Juniors. An activity period was conducted for Nursery, Beginner and Primary children.

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Carey College Breaks Long Standing Precedent

For the first time in the history of William Carey College a MAN has been elected as president of the student body.

David Larrimore of Hattiesburg is the president; Miss Hanieth Jefcoat, Laurel, and Don Stewart, Biloxi, are the vice presidents; Miss Dorcas Hudgins, Sallis, is the secretary; and Mrs. Betty Mitchell, Poplarville, is the treasurer.

Jackson Fast Becoming Great City And Host To Mississippi Baptists

Jackson of today will be proclaimed as a Metropolis by those attending the Mississippi Baptist Convention next week. In less than 50 years the city has grown from a small community with few landmarks to a giant among cities. Its many tall buildings and skyscrapers testify to the fact that it is now one of the nation's leading cities. It is the meeting place of many of our annual Baptist conventions and of the annual conventions for other denominations, as well as civic groups.

There are several yardsticks by which the growth of a community may be measured. These include population, educational facilities and the increased number of churches. Jackson's population has increased by 11,750 since 1950, or a present total of 110,000.

The growth of the city has been steady and substantial since 1910, especially strong since 1945 and this growth is not a result of war industry or a boom, but because of the desirability in location, climate, facilities and the stable economy of the region.

In 1949, the city Planning Committee endorsed the new city limits to embrace areas logically a part of Jackson and increased the population officially by 20,000.

In relation to other Southern cities, Jackson showed a greater increase in population between 1920 and 1930. In the forty year period — 1910 to 1950 — the growth of Jackson exceeded that of such cities as New Orleans, Memphis, and Mobile.

It is often said that the American people take more pride in their children than anything else. Jackson is no exception. Through the years, the citizens of this area have endeavored to establish schools that will become focal points of community activity.

In order to convey the marked enlargement in numbers in our public school system, the following table giving the total enrollment is offered:

1947-1948—10,116

1951-1952—14,719

1952-1953—16,676

1953-1954—21,000

Also as the population increases, it is natural that churches must expand their facilities and new churches need to be organized. Three new organizations have been set up in Jackson Baptist churches during the past year. Also many churches have purchased additional property or have been in building programs. These include: Elaine, Van Winkle, Robinson, Street, First, Terry, Utica, Clinton, Broadmoor, Ridgecrest, McDowell Road, Van Winkle Mission.

All of this and more will be seen by Mississippi Baptists they come from all over the state to attend the State Convention.

Presides Over Brotherhood Rally



W. R. ROBERTS

W. R. Roberts, state Brotherhood secretary, will preside over the Brotherhood Rally Monday afternoon and night at First Baptist Church.

Czech Reds Ask More Anti-Religious Activity

VIENNA (RNS) —Nova Mysl (New Thought), ideological organ of the Czech Communist Party, has called for increased Party activity against religion.

The magazine said that "despite efforts made in the past aimed at unmasking the hostile attitude of the Church, the darkness of religion still persists in people's minds."

Some Party organizations, it said wrongly believe the problem is solved if people cancel their church membership under pressure.

Investigations show, the publication continued, that even Party members who have left the Church still are attending services.

"They walk to a neighboring village for the Sunday service in order to remain unidentified. They also prefer a church marriage."

Nova Mysl said some Party functionaries wrongly believed that a Party member could be a good Christian.

At the same time, it added, provincial and local Party organizations mistakenly have stopped fighting the Church because their progressive priests belong to the peace movement."

Goes To Tennessee



REV. H. D. JORDAN

Rev. H. D. Jordan has resigned the pastorate of Salem Church, Collins in order to accept the pastorate of the Colonial Church, Memphis. He resignation, effective November 14, comes after 28 years of service in Mississippi.

The Colonial Church was organized only two weeks ago. It was formerly a mission of the Highland Church.

—BR—

Of considerable value to the Cradle Roll worker is the book, PROGRAMS AND PLANS FOR THE CRADLE ROLL DEPARTMENT, by Carriabel Blankinship. It is published by the Sunday School Board of the SBC, Nashville, Tennessee. The chapter titles include, "The Cradle Roll Child and the Sunday School"; "The Workers"; "The Visitation Program"; "The Cradle Roll and the Home Working Together" and "Programs and Plans." This book is a source book to which workers may go for extra materials. It is more than a program book, it is a planbook also, from which workers may seek inspiration and help. It provides a challenge to do better work. It interprets a well-rounded department program and offers helps for every phase of Cradle Roll work." Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the publisher.

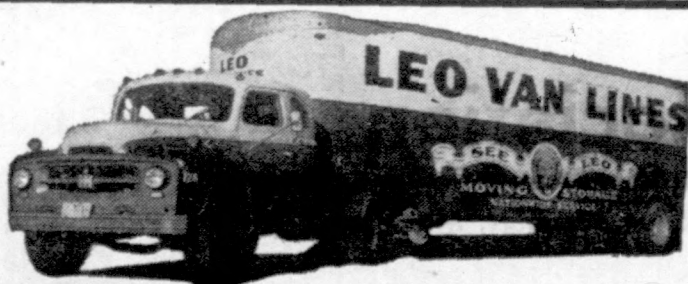
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For November 14

A STUDY IN VALUES.

Bible Texts: Proverbs 11:27-28; 13:7; 15:13-17; 16:8; 20:11-12; 22:1-5; 28:6-28.

I. VALUES GREATER AND LESS

Philosophy makes much of the higher values. And by this phrase "higher values" is usually meant the imponderable values, such, for instance as is involved in the Lord's question, "What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeit his soul? or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" What is the value of a soul in the sight of God? or what is the value of a man's faith in God? What would you take for your faith in God? or what value to you has your belief in the after life? or what would you take as the price to you of all the name of Jesus means in your life, directly and indirectly? If all that the religion of Jesus means to your community, your home, your own heart, were to be blotted out, what difference would that blotting make?

There are earthly hopes men set their hearts upon and find them to turn to ashes in their grasp. Earthly, material riches, make in to themselves wings and fly away. The most pitiable people I ever knew were those who had once been reckoned rich, but from whom their earthly riches had fled and left them barren of any wealth whatever. With none of the higher values to their credit, with no treasure laid up in heaven, such people are poor indeed.

As here on earth there are inflated values and even in the treasures of the spirit there are the false and the true, so it behooves the individual heart to be careful to the point of scrupulosity in the selection of the things they set their hearts upon, and in the pursuit and possession of which they bend their greatest efforts.

II. WARNINGS TO THOSE IN DANGER OF BEING LED INTO THE PURSUIT OF THE WRONG.

"He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him." The wise man is here no doubt describing the men who corner the market. Some one or a combination of them buy up the whole supply of a necessary commodity and then fix a price upon it far above the cost to them and force the consuming public to buy their needed supply at an exorbitant price.

Such a procedure, I make no slightest doubt, is responsible for the price people are now having to pay for coffee, and, along the line somewhere between the grower of the cattle and table over which the housewife buys the meat for her household, the same sort of rascality is being perpetrated upon the consuming public at this hour.

Such a course as cornering the market has been prohibited by law, but I know no human law that some schemer has not been able to evade. And the evasions to which resort has been taken by selfish men in order to make un-

just profit are too many to be counted.

But there are two courts before which the guilty can never find acquittal: the court of public opinion, before which the guilty suffer the consequences of the deep low-muttered justice before which all that tread the earth must stand and receive the due reward or punishment their deeds deserve by the balance of the scales of absolute justice.

It is far better in the long run and the distant look to be righteous than to be rich in the materials of this earth. In the sight of God before whom the real values have first place it is better to be a generous man than a cornerer, better to give to the poor than to exploit them for one's own enrichment. In fact, the man who heaps to himself riches gathered unjustly, shall, as surely as there is a just and righteous God, fall both in his gathering and in his use of the ill-gotten gains, and finally and completely in the overthrow he shall suffer before the bar of God.

"Oh, my course in this matter does not offend my conscience; I am perfectly well persuaded that my course is right!" Yes, my poor brother, but how I would hate to have a conscience which would utter no groan of anguish being subjected to so gross mistreatment.

Yesterday I sat for an hour and listened to a poor drunk talking about how good a man he was and how harmless. He had told me he wanted me to counsel with him, but gave me no chance to say a word, but just hold on in talking a circle of words to the end that I ought to approve a way that seemed good to him. Another man would regret to have his own approval of a course so unworthy of approval. Any man or woman who sinks to the level of so degraded a self-judgment is to be pitied and to be shunned as an example.

III. HOW TO BE HAPPY.

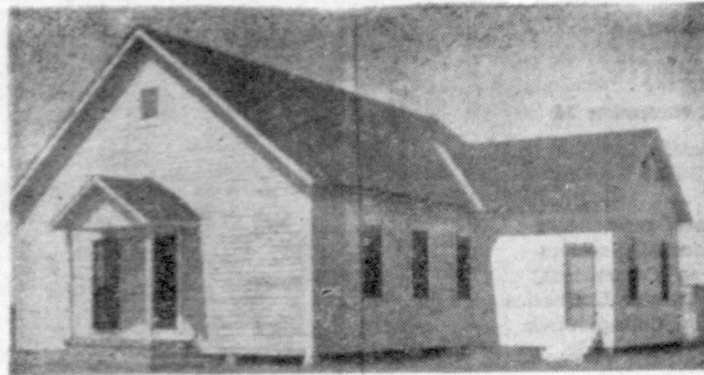
We are following the writer of the proverb now. "He that is of a cheerful heart hath a continual feast." So you would love very much to be happy! That's all right, everybody does so. No harm one whit in wanting to be happy. And this proverb is laying down a principle to be followed in obtaining happiness.

Happiness the city of happiness, is in the state of mind. Happiness is homed in the heart. Masters of millions are less times happy than men of more meager means. I have known and now know people of meager means who are happy on their way to the gates of glory, while the news of the day, of any day, bring us tidings of people of much greater means who are in the largest degree happy. I also know wealthy people who are happy, but that is not because they are rich in material things, but because their hearts are right.

And how do men attain the heart that is right? By yielding to God the loving control of the heart.

—BR—

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Mrs. Clarence King, Hazlehurst; Mrs. Walter Cliburn, Hazlehurst; Rev. and Mrs. M. E. Perry, Greenville; John A. Keith, Leland; Lois Renfrow, Florence.



The exterior work on four new Sunday School rooms for the Union Chapel Church in Riverside Association has been completed. The interior work will be completed in the near future.

The members of Union Chapel Church have contributed cotton and cash for the building fund.

The pastor, Rev. James Fortinberry, has been at Union Chapel a little more than two years. During this time there have been more than 50 additions to the church, a Training Union has been organized, and mid-week prayer meetings have been begun.

Ground Broken For Lula Church Annex

Ground breaking ceremonies were held Sunday, Nov. 4 for the Lula Church Educational Annex. The contract for the \$13,000 structure has been let. The building is expected to be finished in the early part of next year.

The building will be 34 by 67 feet and will be used mostly for Sunday School activities, the Rev. Henning Andrews, pastor stated.

—BR—

Help Wanted! All Pastors, Workers

Dear pastors, educational workers. Please do yourself and the cause a big favor.

When you get to the Convention, get a Book of Reports and see if your name and address is in the Directory section.

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If your address is incorrect, please give that information also. If your name and address is correct don't read any further.

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List Of Supplemental Coop Checks Finished

For several weeks the Baptist Record ran each week the current list of churches making supplementary Cooperative Program gifts for 1963-64.

Below is carried all those not listed previously:

Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Cannon McDonald, \$25; Greenville Second, Rev. M. E. Perry, \$25; Tishomingo Chapel, Alcorn, \$25; Oakland, \$40; Woolmarket, Gulf Coast, Rev. Thomas Hill, \$32; Pelahatchie Rev. J. F. Stanford, \$243.73; Hickory Grove, Lamar, Rev. V. B. Roane, \$100; Mt. Vernon, Mississippi, Rev. Ray Walters, \$10; Juniper Grove, Pearl River, Rev. N. F. Greer, \$43.64; Kewanee, Lauderdale, \$100; Big Ridge, Gulf Coast, Rev. E. D. Estes, \$1; Temple Grove, Lee, Rev. A. J. McCullough, \$10; Sabougla, Calhoun, Rev. Elgin West, \$30; Ediceton, Franklin, Rev. George Mosely, \$50; Drew, Dr. David Grant, \$100; and Sumrall, Rev. T. F. Cooper, \$56.

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

November 15 — Frances W. Townsend, Clarke College faculty; State Brotherhood Rally, First Church, Jackson.

November 16 — H. H. Ward, Atlanta Associational Missionary; State Baptist Convention, First Church, Jackson.

November 17 — Rev. Volle Scott, Holmes Associational Training Union Director; Mrs. W. B. Alexander, Bolivar Associational W. M. U. Superintendent.

November 18 — George Smith, Lincoln Associational Brotherhood President; M. D. Reagan, Leake Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

November 19 — Joyce Lee, BSU President, Belhaven College; Rev. Van H. Hardin, George County Associational Representative, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

November 20 — Dr. Walter Moore, Historical Society Committee; R. T. Touchstone, Education Commission.

November 21 — Orphanage Day in Sunday School; Charles Horner, State BSU Secretary.

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SUGGESTED ORDER OF BUSINESS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION

Tuesday Morning, November 16

- 9:30—Song and Praise — Reid Moore.
- 9:40—Scripture and Prayer — Carl Duck
- 9:45—Organization of Convention
 - Call to order and recognition of messengers
 - Report of Committee on Order of Business
 - Appointment of Committee on Committees
- 9:55—Recognition of new pastors — Chester L. Quarles
- 10:10—Special Music—Clarke Memorial College Choir
- 10:15—President's Address—John E. Barnes, Jr.
- 10:40—Report of Committee on Committees
- 10:45—Presenting and Referring Resolutions
- 11:00—Baptist Foundation — Harry L. Spencer
- 11:15—Worship Hour
 - Reading of the Scripture — Troy Prince
 - Special Music—Clarke Memorial College Choir
 - Message — W. L. Meadows
- 12:00—Adjournment

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00—Song and Praise
- 2:10—Scripture and Prayer—Glenn Dismukes
- 2:15—Mississippi Baptist Hospital—W. Wilson Turner
- 2:40—Miscellaneous Business
- 2:50—Relief and Annuity Board—R. S. Jones
- 3:10—Associational Missions—Roy Self
- 3:25—Special Music—Baptist Hospital School of Nursing
- 3:30—Message — A. B. Cash
- 4:00—Miscellaneous Business
- 4:15—Adjournment

TUESDAY NIGHT

- 7:00—Organ
- 7:15—Song and Praise
- 7:25—Scripture and Prayer—Dan Morton
- 7:30—Convention Board Report—J. R. Davis
- 7:40—State Missions—Chester L. Quarles
- 8:30—Special Music—Mississippi College Choir
- 8:40—Address—J. W. Storer
- 9:20—Adjournment

WEDNESDAY MORNING

- 9:30—Song and Praise
- 9:40—Scripture and Prayer—R. E. McDonald
- 9:45—Reading of Minutes
- 9:50—Miscellaneous Business
- 10:00—Baptist Record—A. L. Goodrich
- 10:20—Report of Colleges
 - Blue Mountain College, Clarke Memorial College
 - Mississippi College, William Carey College
- 11:05—Song
- 11:10—Education Commission—W. D. Hudgins
- 11:30—Special Music—New Orleans Seminary Choir
- 11:35—Address on Christian Education—G. Earl Guinn
- 12:05—Adjournment

NOON 12:30 — LUNCHEON MEETINGS

Seminary Alumni Associations

| Seminary | Meeting Place |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| New Orleans Seminary | Calvary Baptist Church |
| Southern Seminary | First Baptist Church |
| Southwestern Seminary | Northside Church |

NOTE: Provision is made for all Seminary Alumni Associations to meet simultaneously and the program is adjusted to allow more time at this noon hour. Tickets for all these meetings are available in the foyer.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

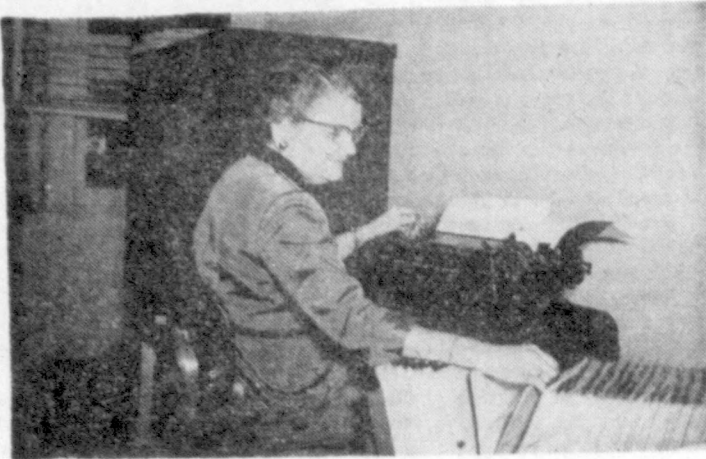
- 2:15—Song and Praise
- 2:25—Scripture and Prayer—Sallie I. Smith
- 2:30—Radio Commission—Paul M. Stevens
- 3:00—Temperance Committee—C. M. Day
- 3:15—Negro Work—W. A. Keal
- 3:30—Song
- 3:35—Message—S. R. Woodson
- 4:00—Election of Officers
- 4:10—Miscellaneous Business
- 4:15—Adjournment

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

- 7:00—Organ
- 7:15—Song and Praise
- 7:25—Scripture and Prayer—W. G. Watson
- 7:30—Baptist Memorial Hospital—Dexel Toland
- 7:45—"The Christian Home"—Dr. and Mrs. Wilfred C. Tyler
- 8:15—W. M. U.—Mrs. Owen Cooper
- 8:30—Social Service Commission—J. B. Middleton
- 8:40—Special Music—William Carey College Choir
- 8:50—Message—J. Ralph Grant
- 9:20—Adjournment

THURSDAY MORNING

- 9:30—Song and Praise
- 9:40—Scripture and Prayer—J. W. Wood
- 9:45—Reading of Minutes
- 9:50—Historical Commission—J. L. Boyd



Shown above is Mrs. Nell Cotton, assistant bookkeeper at Baptist Headquarters, as she credits each church with the amount sent in. Each church has a ledger sheet showing the date, cause and amount. During the past year she has posted and credited various churches with amounts totalling more than \$2,000,000.

The Middle Of The Road

BY DR. DALE MOODY

The question has been asked: "How to distinguish clearly between the Baptist heritage of religious freedom and non-creedalism and the encroachment of radical theological liberalism?"

First, an analysis of the question reveals two assumptions poorly founded. The assumption that Baptists do not believe in creeds is a sweeping assertion that has little support from Baptist history. It should be said with emphasis that the Scriptures are the standard by which all human creeds are to be tested, but Baptists have not always concluded that all creeds are to be rejected. Creeds are to faith what banks are to a river; they are to contain the truth of Biblical revelation and to shut out the error of heresy.

As late as the twentieth century Baptists did not reject the use of creeds. In 1912, after warning of the wrong use of creeds, E. Y. Mullins concludes:

I think creeds perform a useful function in educating us to unity of faith and practice, so long as they are not worn as death masks for defunct religion, or employed

as lashes to chastise others; so long as they do not arrest life and growth—in short, creeds help rather than hinder. A creed is like a ladder. On it you may climb up to a lofty outlook, a purer spiritual atmosphere, or you may climb down to the low platform of a barren orthodoxy." BAPTIST BELIEFS (Philadelphia: The Judson Press, 1912, 1951) p. 9f.

It is the shallow creeds without the support of the Scriptures and lacking in historical orientation that has generated the holy dread of human creeds.

The second assumption of the question also lacks solid support. There is no doubt that radical theological liberalism should be soundly refuted and rejected, but this is not the great danger Southern Baptists face.

Liberalism is rapidly becoming a waning force embraced by a "sweet and reasonable" minority, but the real threat to Southern Baptist unity comes from a resurgent landmarkism that not only disrupts cooperative work, but it often has the seeds of heresy hidden behind its militant non-creedalism. The popular prejudice against

- 10:00—Message—J. D. Franks
- 10:25—Seminary Recognition
- 10:35—Address on Theological Education—Harold K. Graves
- 11:00—Mississippi Baptist Orphanage—W. G. Mize
- 11:15—Miscellaneous Business
- 11:25—Song
- 11:30—Evangelism—C. E. Wilbanks
- 11:40—Message—C. E. Autrey
- 12:10—Adjournment

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

- 2:00—Song and Praise
- 2:10—Scripture and Prayer—Carman Sharp
- 2:15—Committee on Ministerial Relief—Joe T. Odle
- 2:25—Board of Ministerial Education—W. E. Strange
- 2:35—Report of Committee on Resolutions
- 2:45—Report of Committees: Nominations — Time, Place, Preacher
- 2:55—Address—William J. Fallis
- 3:15—American Bible Society—Thomas T. Holloway
- 3:25—Miscellaneous Business
- 3:35—Special Music—Blue Mountain College Choir
- 3:40—Message—W. A. Criswell
- 4:15—Adjournment

THURSDAY NIGHT

City Auditorium

- 7:00—Organ
- 7:15—Song and Praise—Russell McIntire
- 7:30—Special Music—Combined College Choirs
- 7:40—Baptist Student Presentation—Charles W. Horner
- 8:10—Special Music—Combined College Choirs
- 8:25—Address—G. Kearnie Keegan
- 9:10—Adjournment

speaking of "the church" as well as "the churches" is the outgrowth of landmarkism. It has neither the support of the Scriptures nor of historic Baptist confessions.

The answer to the question is both Biblical and historical. The Biblical side is a plea for more preaching and teaching on what the Bible actually says. It is not enough to read a text in the pulpit or a passage before a class and then decorate the Scriptures with all sorts of human speculations. It is not enough until the words of the Bible have been interpreted in a Biblical way to bring out the real meaning. This can be done only by preachers and teachers who know the Bible as a whole and not just in spots. When Baptists depart from the Bible they will be even more at sea than the more organized denominations. It is the basis of our unity and faith.

The historical side to the answer is a call to a factual knowledge of our own heritage. One frequently hears and reads the claim that "Baptist Succession" can be traced through certain schismatic and heretical groups in the history of Christianity. For example, the adoptionist Armenian sect known as Paulicians are singled out as Baptist progenitors simply because they believed in adult baptism. They did believe in adult baptism, but when one reads the statement of their faith in *The Key of Truth* (edited by F. C. Conybeare, Oxford, 1898) it becomes clear that they were Unitarian heretics who believed that Jesus was a mere creature who became God's son when he received adult baptism at the age of thirty. This, then, is the basis for their believing in adult baptism (*THE KEY OF TRUTH*, Chapter 2).

Such scientific studies of Baptist history of the BAPTISTS, (Philadelphia: The Judson Press, 1950) and W. W. Barnes, *THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION*, (Nashville, Tennessee, The Broadman Press, 1954) are the type of writings that preachers and teachers should read for a true picture of the Baptist heritage and for a balanced approach to denominational apologetics. This approach with thorough Biblical knowledge will help protect Southern Baptists against liberalism and landmarkism alike.

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The social director of the Firestone plantation took me to see the great hydroelectric plant which runs their mill and supplies their light. I had never seen the inside of a hydroelectric plant before. There was a huge pipe and four great turbine wheels. The water was open above them, but they were standing still. I said, "Why don't these turbines run?" He said, "Because the pipe is closed down at the outlet. If that were open, the water could flow through. The turbines can't run unless both the inlet and outlet are open." I said to this man, "That is the way our lives are. The pipe must be given up toward God and open down toward man. And then currents flow through and the wheels go round and we work with the power of God." He said, "I never thought of that. I wonder where my pipe line is closed." From *CHANNELS OF SPIRITUAL POWER* by Frank C. Laubach, (Fleming H. Revell Company).

Schools Thank Mississippi Baptists

We desire to take this opportunity to thank our churches, pastors and laymen who cooperated by sending their CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM gifts and enabled MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS to reach their 4th Division goal of \$1,400,000. This means that your four colleges and the Mississippi Baptist Hospital will receive \$150,000 for their capital needs. God has blessed and we praise Him for every blessing.

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WE URGE OUR CHURCHES TO CONTINUE
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How You Can Increase Your Pastor's Efficiency

BY WILLIAM JAMES ROBINSON,
A.M., D.D.

"Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honor, especially they that labor in word and doctrine"—I Tim. 5:17. It is regrettable that a few, but a very few, men who have been ordained to the ministry are not "worthy of double honor" for they do not deport themselves so as to merit such regard. These are a negligible number compared with those who are entitled to it.

A great battle was raging and "it came to pass, when Moses held up his hands, Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands were heavy; and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Aaron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on one side, and other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. And Joshua discomfited Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword"—Ex. 17:11-13.

Your pastor is fighting a greater battle than Moses witnessed: "for we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against spiritual wickedness in high places"—Eph. 6:12. Your pastor is truly waging war on the world, the flesh and the devil. He needs and merits your utmost help.

William Carey said: Brethren, you hold the ropes and I will go down into the well. "Meaning that, if they would finance him he would go to India. They did and he went. He was an unlettered shoe cobbler, but by the help of friends he accomplished an astoundingly great work. He laid the foundations of the modern Foreign Mission movement. He died one of England's greatest sons because friends "held the ropes".

I was once entertained in a home with two young men who were Methodists. They were continually lauding their pastor. Conference was to meet soon and they were sure their pastor would be moved. I said what will you do if they send you a Mr. Dry As Dust? Quick as a flash they replied: "We will boost him and make him a great man." They had the right idea. They would be loyal to their pastor regardless of his deficiencies.

You should respect and honor our pastor as an ambassador of God. He may have deficiencies. That is your opportunity to render a glorious service. Just as Aaron and Hur held up Moses' hands so you can hold up your pastor's hands and his deficiencies will become strengthened for you have changed weakness into strength. "We could use many more great preachers than we have; but we have a greater need for great laymen. The need of great laymen is inexpressibly great. Their lack is rushing, breaking the hearts of many excellent ministers.

You need to make conditions right for your pastor to preach and do his work. You can remove many handicaps he must deal with. Not to do so is utterly unreasonable and hinders the cause of Christ. Make conditions right for him to succeed and if he will not disappoint you if he is appointed by the



Shown above are scenes from the special service held at Calvary Church in Pike Association on October 3. The Men's Bible Class has been named for Howard Wilkinson, and the Women's Bible Class has been named for Mrs. Mary Alexander. In the special service held in their honor each of them was presented with a Bible. Rev. Howard McLemore is the pastor.

Holy Spirit to serve your church.

You should sincerely, fervently bear him up to the throne of grace in your prayers. If you will you will be adding strength to his weaknesses for the grace of God makes the weak strong. If you do this and he fails your hands are clean. The fault is his.

In every congregation, with scarcely an exception, there are some critical grouchers and wilful slanderers. They are like the fish that sends out an ink like fluid and darkens the waters when he is attacked. They are guilty of vile indiscretions and think if they can blacken the character of the pastor or they will go free from odium. In all such cases defend your pastor. His good name is his power to be used for good and if it is blackened the devil will laugh gleefully for he has gained a victory.

You can greatly strengthen his hands by kind words sincerely spoken and reinforced by deeds that prove their sincerity. Your pastor is to your soul what your physician is to your body. Accept his counsel with joy and live accordingly. He is your friend and strives to treat you as a brother.

Cooperate with him in carrying on the work of the church making it a light house guiding mariners over troubled seas. A distinguished pastor called one his busy laymen and asked for a conference with him. He replies, yes pastor, I will be in your office in five minutes. The pastor asked him, "why did you come over?" To this he replied, "your tone is worth more than mine." Count it a privilege to serve your pastor, in rendering service to the Lord.

You must be willing to give of your time as well as of your money to carry on the work of your church. You have obligations to serve as truly as your pastor has. If your church does not have first place in your heart there is something wrong with you. Remember there are those who let the 'cares of this world and the deceitfulness choke the word, and he becomes unfruitful"—Matt. 13:22. He not among such men.

A Roman general had returned to Rome after an unusually successful campaign. He was received with signal honors. They thought him too great to enter the city by the usual gates and so they tore treaches in the wall for him to enter. They lauded him in an extravagant manner. When he came to reply he said: "You greatly honor me. You have compared me to the eagle. If I am an eagle, (pointing to his war worn veter-

"Southwide" Out-of-Date Says Evangelism Director

By DR. C. E. WILBANKS
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Mississippi Baptist Convention Board

"Southwide," "Southwide," "Southwide," like the never ending pounding of hoofbeats, like the ever-maddening clatter of snare-drums, we hear it. When ears and hearts can no longer bear the sound, and the soul takes refuge in reading, the eyes are pierced by the staccato of that word again, "Southwide," "Southwide."

What's wrong with it? Rather, what's the value of it? Either is answered by asking "Why not be constantly trying to buy with Confederate money?"

"Southwide" as used among Baptists is as current as is Confederate paper money. Historically, "Southwide" became archaic when Texas joined the Southern Baptist Convention. Here in Mississippi, the writer's wife is told over and over again that she is not a "southerner," but a "westerner," being from Seguin, Texas. Baylor University is 109 years old, while a Macedonian "call to the Home Mission Society from the church at Washington, in the Republic of Texas, reached the Board of the Society at its regular meeting December 18, 1837."

This "Southwide" is a provincialism. It is a colloquialism used in conversation, public addresses, writing, and print, referring to the entire work, or area of work, where the people now known as Southern Baptists function. As a son of the deep South (Louisiana), the writer long used the word "Southwide," just as is the current usage. He therefore takes the liberty to say these things for the edification of the brethren.

"Southwide" can not describe our territory, now, with state conventions in 23 states, Home Mission Board work in 37 states, and one or more Southern Baptist Churches in each state in the Union.

And who uses "Southwide"?

For a whole week the associate

ans; he said these have been my wings." He could not have won such victories but for them. No pastor leads a church to a great success unless he has consecrated laymen to help him and no pastor ever had too many God fearing God honoring laymen to hold up his hands. Be sure you are one such laymen and all will be well so far as you are responsible.

Secretary of one department of the Sunday School Board talked enthusiastically to the writer about materials he was editing for all homes and churches of the Southern Baptist Convention, "Southwide."

The executive head of a Southern Baptist Commission wrote glowingly about information in a periodical which would go into churches in our whole Southern Baptist Convention, "Southwide."

The executive head of another agency, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, addressed a state convention, referring constantly to things that were going on in all our churches from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from Florida to Washington, and from New Orleans to Chicago, "Southwide."

An RA Congress in Ridgecrest was highly advertised, and glowingly reported as "Southwide." However, a carload of boys from Fresno, California, returning from Ridgecrest stopped by our Baptist building in Jackson. When was California a Southern state? The Southern Baptist Convention accepted messengers from California "above fourteen years ago."

Between California and Texas lie New Mexico and Arizona. In these two states we had reported in 1953, a total of 455 churches. North of California lie Oregon and Washington, with 73 churches. The name of the Arizona Baptist Beacon had to be changed nearly two years ago to BAPTIST BEACON for territorial reasons. It now serves Nevada, Colorado, Utah, Idaho, Wyoming, Montana, North and South Dakota. By what stretch are these western, mountain and coast states covered by "Southwide."

How can we cover Illinois with her 650 churches with "Southwide"? Illinois has been in the Southern Baptist Convention 50 years!

Shall I mention Indiana, or Ohio? Only to say that the Executive Secretary of Ohio said at Ridgecrest in August, "I'll be so glad, when we quit saying 'Southwide.'"

Is it fair to our Baptist leaders and members to continue to say "Southwide"? Does it not leave a feeling of "not belonging," or of being left out?

Who says it? The writer refers you to the Southern Baptist Annual, 1953, page 458, "Southwide Papers and Periodicals."

A first Church bulletin from Florida "set aside Southwide Victory Week."

The President of a state convention announced in his bulletin, "one of our Intermediate boys, will leave this week for Glorieta New Mexico," to compete in the "Southwide" Sword Drill.

September issue of Home Mission Board "Official News Agency," announces "Southwide" Conferences of Negro Workers, Nashville, October 31-November 3.

Just to be accurate, the writer decided to list the names of speakers during last Southern Baptist Convention week in St. Louis who used only "Southwide" to designate interest, areas, activities and programs. After filling a whole page in the Pastors Conference, WMO Convention, and opening day of the Convention proper, "all hope was lost," project abandoned.

"Southwide" is daily diet in the

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WORSHIP TIME, Daily Devotions

for Families with Young Children, Edward D. Staples (compiler), contains more than 200 suggested devotions for families with young children gathered here to provide helpful devotional periods as well as a rich resource for those who wish to prepare their own family worship. Listed under 23 subjects the materials can be selected for any special occasion. The writers, all accustomed to work with children, represent many geographical areas, many denominations and a varied attack on the problem, "How can the family with young children have daily devotions that are helpful and meaningful to all?" Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the Upper Room, 1908 Grand Avenue, Nashville, Tennessee for 50 cents or 12 for \$5. The compiler is director of the department of the Christian Family in the Board of Education of the Methodist Church.

Baptist Building, where the writer works (sometimes, when he's not in the field). But this climaxes it, with "Report of Audit, Budget and Allocations Committee, to Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, September 13, 1954, Division II Southwide Causes—45 percent," including Foreign Missions.

Brethren, we have enlarged our borders and strengthened our stakes. Dare we enlarge our vocabulary? Could we follow our work from a few Southern states to "Continent-wide," United States-wide or "Convention-wide"?

Can we say what we mean?